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OFFICIAL MINUTES

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Commissioner Fritz, Presiding; Commissioners Fish, Leonard and Saltzman, 4.

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

Motion to hold a meeting 6:00 pm December 16th for Margaret Carter proclamation and River Plan/North Reach Hearing: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Fish. (Y-4)

Item No. 1529 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balanced of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

		Disposition:
	TIMES CERTAIN	
1522	TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Accept the Master Plan for Leach Botanical Garden as a guide for future development and management of the garden (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Fish) 30 minutes requested.	CONTINUED TO [DATE TO BE DETERMINED]
1523	TIME CERTAIN: 10:00 AM – Approve name change of the administration of Portland Children's Investment Fund to the Portland Children's Levy (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Saltzman) 10 minutes requested.	PASSED TO SECOND READING NOVEMBER 12, 2009
	Motion to suspend the rules to hear the 10:00 Time Certain before the designated time: Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Fish. Motion passed without objection.	AT 9:30 AM
*1524	TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM – Authorize the Grey-to-Green Treebate Program (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Saltzman) 15 minutes requested.	
	Motion to suspend the rules to hear the 10:15 Time Certain before the designated time: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. Motion passed without objection.	183307
	(Y-4)	
	CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION	
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*1532	Approve allocation of \$3,000 annually of Children's Investment Fund revenues to fund event sponsorships (Ordinance)	183297
	(Y-4)	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
1533	Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services to execute an easement with Ackerly Communications of the Northwest, Inc. as part of the East Side Combined Sewer Overflow tunnel Project No. E07594 (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING NOVEMBER 12, 2009 AT 9:30 AM
1534	Authorize a five-year price agreement for Sodium Hypochlorite to disinfect effluent for an estimated contractual total not to exceed \$3,000,000 (Second Reading Agenda 1504)	183298
-	(Y-4)	
	Bureau of Police	
*1535	Apply for a \$69,960 grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation, Transportation Safety Division for officer overtime in order to assist the Multnomah County DUII Intensive Supervision program (Ordinance)	183299
	(Y-4)	
*1536	Accept a \$70,000 grant from the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police for a Three Flags Campaign/Safety Belt enforcement program grant for officer overtime (Ordinance)	183300
	(Y-4)	
*1537	Accept a \$24,688 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2009 Bulletproof Vest partnership for bulletproof vests (Ordinance)	183301
	(Y-4)	
*1538	Accept a \$310,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2009 Competitive Grant Program for the Gang Resistance Education and Training program Regional Training Centers (Ordinance)	183302
-	(Y-4)	
*1539	Accept a \$906,235 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program Grant to prevent or reduce crime and violence (Ordinance)	183303
-	(Y-4)	
	REGULAR AGENDA	
	Mayor Sam Adams	
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4=10	Bureau of Transportation	
1540	Vacate a portion of SW Stark St at SW 13th Ave subject to certain conditions and reservations (Second Reading 1506; VAC-10063)	183305
	(Y-4)	

	Office of Management and Finance – Financial Services	
1541	Adopt the Budget Calendar for FY 2010-11 (Resolution)	36751
	(Y-4)	30/31
	Commissioner Nick Fish	
	Position No. 2	
	Portland Housing Bureau	
1542	Support Housing Authority of Portland application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for a HOPE VI revitalization grant to redevelop the Hillsdale Terrace public housing project (Resolution) 15 minutes requested.	36752
	(Y-4)	
	Commissioner Dan Saltzman Position No. 3	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
*1543	Authorize contracts with three consulting engineering firms for design related services as needed in support of sewer, wastewater pumping, treatment and drainage and stormwater quality projects (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested.	183306
	(Y-4)	

At 10:14 a.m., Council adjourned.

LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADEAuditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love Clerk of the Council

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WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, NOVEMBER 4, 2009

DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA THERE WAS NO MEETING

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NOVEMBER 4, 2009 9:30 AM

Fritz: This is the wednesday, november 4th meeting of the Portland city council. Mayor Adams is representing our city in our sister city. Please call the roll.

[roll call]

Fritz: We have no citizen communications this morning. If would you like to give a three-minute presentation, please visit Portland online and on the auditor's site you can figure out how to sign up to give testimony. Does anyone wish for pull an item from the consent agenda?

Leonard: I do. Fritz: Which item. Leonard: 1529.

Fritz: 1529 is pulled from the consent agenda. Any members of the council wish to pull any members from the consent. Anyone in the audience wish to pull anything from the content.

Leonard: Aye. Fish: Aye. Saltzman: Aye.

Fritz: Aye. And let's move to 1529.

Leonard: Thank you, we have the representatives from the Oregon food bank. Please come

forward.

Moore-Love: I'll read the title.

Leonard: Please. Item 1529.

Leonard: The council generously agreed to donate \$50,000 to the 0 Oregon food bank this last year, and I wasn't expecting to have a representative here, so I had it on consent, but we were fortunate enough to not only have a representative, but she has, I think, some very excellent information as to how this money is being used and why particularly now, this donation to provide food to families is more important than of. Go ahead.

Barbara Peschiera, Oregon Food Bank: I'm director of development at Oregon food bank and my job entails donated funds, food and also our volunteer program. So this is very germane right now. As you know -- well, we had a 14% increase statewide in the need for our services last fiscal year. We -- the increase in Portland in the metro area was exactly 14% also. Our fiscal year ended june 29th. So since then, this first quarter, we've seen an 8% increase in the number of people we served in Portland compared to the same time last year. But it's interesting because it's -- it's been a 3% increase in the households. So what that tells us is that more people -- the household size is growing. More people with foreclosures and layoffs are moving in with relatives and so the household size is growing. The other reason this is fantastic timing is that we last year enjoyed a higher level of usda commodities than in five years. And that was because of stimulus funding and that apparently has been spent out. We're going to see a decline. So in october, we received 198,000-pounds in usda commodity -- i'm sorry, October. In november, it will .148 thousandpounds and gradually decrease until -- through june, when it will be closer to 100,000-pounds. So this -- closer to 50,000-pounds. This \$50,000 will equate to 130,000-pounds of food and serve 2600 families for three to 503-days. And will make up that loss in usda for a couple of months. So it's -it's really, really vital and we're really grateful for the support.

Leonard: Thank you for coming, and this is, I think, the third year, if I recall correctly, that the council -- just second year? Maybe i'm thinking about next year.

Peschiera: I like that.

Leonard: That -- and we as a council earlier this year, in fact, in early january, went out and filled boxes at the food bank and it was a great way to connect with what we're donating and the families.

Peschiera: Thank you, it's a really busy time. Thank you.

Fritz: Thank you. Anyone wish to testify on this item. Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye. Fish: Aye. Saltzman: Aye.

Fritz: Thank you for your work and for needy families in the Portland area aye.

Leonard: President, I think I need to move to suspend the rules to move the 10:00 time certain to

now.

Fritz: That would be fine.

Saltzman: Second.

Fritz: It's been moved and seconded to suspend the rules to hear the 10:00 time certain now. Any

discussion. Please call the roll. **Leonard:** Without objection.

Fritz: That works. And notice that 9:30 time certain item 1522 was pulled back to commissioner

Fish's office. That moves us to the 10:00 time certain, commissioner Saltzman. Read the title.

Item 1523.

Saltzman: Thank you, madame president and members of the council. It was one year ago, november 4th, that Portland voters overwhelming renewed the Portland children's levy for five more years. For the past eight years, the Portland children's investment fund has been providing our kids and families with the support they need. That work and that mission will not change. But today we want to change the organization's name. We want voters to better make the connection to what they voted for on the ballot, the Portland children's levy, with the organization that now administers those funds. Formally known -- formerly known as the children's investment fund. Here to give us a brief snapshot of the Portland children's levy's highlights is mary.

Mary Gay Broderick: We're changing our name but not our mission. Is that power point -- we wanted to get our word out to the community and give you a little snapshot of where we're been and where we're going. Our logo is the same and we're just using a different name that the campaign used in the -- and that better resonates with the public. As commissioner Saltzman said, we were approved in 2002. In the first five years of levy, gave out \$10 million to \$12 million a year to about # 5 programs in early childhood, after school, child abuse intervention and reached about 16,000 families a year. A majority coming from low-income families. We were able to match it dollar for dollar for more than \$6 million to expand programs and kept our administration expenses to 5%. And commissioner Saltzman is the chair of the committee. And Multnomah county chair ted wheeler is also on the committee. The majority of the children come from african american, latino, asian-american families. We have a majority of families coming from -- children coming from families of color. And you can see where the primary language is that kids speak at their home. Here is a little snapshot. This is pretty true for all the years we've been in existence. 7400 hours of respite care given to parents of children at risk for abuse. We had 800 parenting workshops and homeless hundreds and hundreds of substance abuse counseling sessions and 7,000 students in our after-school programs. [inaudible] were mentored. And as commissioner Saltzman mentioned, a year ago today, we were renewed -- I think we had the highest percentage of any -- more than 70% of city voters renewed the levy. We had a new area this year, we're helping children this foster care succeed. As we talked with the organizations, that was one area they felt it was a critical area of need in the city. So we added that. You can see we've got 69 programs. This past spring awarded \$69 million in a three-year allocations to those programs and you can see the breakdown. Early -child abuse prevention and that new area of foster care. We're excited about that program. And again, we are -- a lot of familiar names and new names too of the -- the programs we fund and we

are going to continue our successful leverage fund project. And we set aside \$3 million for that. We're going to change our name to the Portland children's levy. Again, that name -- I go around to a lot of events and there's a disconnect. People say I voted for the children's levy. What's the children's investment fund? We feel that name is more of a connection with them. It's better recognized by the public and we feel it's going to increase community awareness and support for who we are. And we're excited about going forward for the next five years. So thank you. Any questions?

Fritz: Thank you. Does anyone wish to testify on issue? This is an ordinance. And so we won't vote on it today. Right?

Saltzman: Right.

Fritz: All right. Thank you very much. Moves to second reading next week. With that, we're going to move to the regular agenda --

Leonard: We have a 9:30 time certain.

Fritz: Which I mentioned was pulled to commissioner Fish's office. It's a team effort.

Leonard: It would help if one of the team paid attention. **Fritz:** It's all right. Please read the title for item 1540.

Item 1540.

Fritz: This is a second reading. Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. Please read the title for 1541.

Item 1541.

Andrew Scott, Office of Management and Finance: Good morning.

Fritz: Good morning.

Scott: We got here in time. I'm andrew scott with the financial planning division and this is jeremy also with the division. The resolution adopts the city's budget calendar for the f.y. 2010 calendar we're going to have a kickoff on november 12th, there's a council work session scheduled to december 1st to talk over forecast and strategy for next year. The budget hearings were council will be between march 8th and march 17th. The mayor's proposed budget decision scheduled to be released on april 30th. We'll have the formal public hearing on may 20th. The approved budget -the dates are similar to past years. The dates can change, this is more to set out the city's plan. Although some events come up that move things. As an example, the fall bump is scheduled for november 12th, but I think that's going to be pushed back to november 18th. We try to adhere to this as closely as we can. And with the exception of the public hearing for may 26th, we haven't yet included the public outreach events on this calendar. The reason is the dates haven't yet been set. We've been working with the public involvement advisory council and the mayor's office and your offices to talk about what the city's approach will be for public outreach and since the dates weren't set we haven't included them on this calendar. I can tell you that so far, we've posted the budget advisory committees online that we've been told about so far. There are community partnership events scheduled for november and december of this year. We'll have public budget forums in february, march and we're talking about the format those are going to take and then community partnership events from january through march. A very robust process and we'll be coming back to talk about that process. I'm happy to talk about -- answer any questions you have about the calendar.

Fritz: Questions? Thank you. Anyone wish to testify on this issue? This is a resolution. Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye. Fish: Aye. Saltzman: Aye.

Fritz: Thank you for your presentation. And also that everything is posted online. There's a link to the budget meetings on my website. The front page and citizens are encouraged to participate early. There's only a few days between the mayor's proposed budget and the public hearing. So

participate early and often and all of the budget hearings will be open this year, so we want citizens' advice every step of the way. Aye. Thank you. Please read the title for regular agenda item 1542. **Item 1542.**

Fritz: Good morning.

Fish: Thank you, madame president. We're in the top five nationally as a state in unemployment, hunger and homelessness. As the city's housing commissioner, my work is centered on the belief that affordable housing can give people an opportunity to build a better life. Our partner, the housing authority of Portland, has an opportunity to give southwest residents the opportunity to succeed by redeveloping hillsdale terrace which currently is home to 239 very low income people, including immigrants, families with children, older adults and disables persons. The housing authority of Portland is applying for a hope vi grant from hud to support the redevelopment of this severely distressed property into a mixed use project. That will have more units available. If their application to redevelopment hillsdale terrace is successful -- as someone said last night at a community forum, the distinguished housing director and I attend, that can be both a blessing and a curse. The blessing, we can document to hud we've been successful in getting these grants and delivering a good product. The curse may be that someone at hud thinks we've had our fair share. Just to remind my colleagues, this is the third hope vi project and the prior two were the new columbia, where we invested \$20 million, and humboldt gardens in which we invested \$2 million. The combined leverage was \$51 million in federal funding which came into our community and this is before we had an even greater need for stimulus dollars which brought living wage construction jobs to Portland and today, after the successful -- the success of both projects, has resulted in almost 400 units of public housing and over 750 units of affordable housing that had been revitalized and reborn in our community. The new columbia, for example, is still seen as a national model for a successful hope vi project and it's one of the accomplishments of which i'm most proud during my prior service as a board member of the housing sport of Portland. Today hap is seeking council support to complete their hope vi revitalization grant application to hud and approval of this resolution will signify the city's intent to commit funding if hap is fortunate enough to receive the grant. We've invited mike andrews and margaret van vliet.

Margaret Van Vliet, Director, Portland Housing Bureau: Thank you, my name is margaret. I'm the director of the Portland housing bureau. I'll keep my remarks brief. I think of commissioner Fish provided us all a grounding for what we're looking for today. It's very early in the process, it's one piece I would note and this expression of support is a way -- is something that the federal government is going it look for, that the local jurisdiction is supportive and willing to invest its resources in a substantial redevelopment. Much more to come if we're successful. We'll learn in about february and at that point, we would look to have -- to hap to redouble their community engagement and refine the plan for the redevelopment of this site. We did attend a meeting last night of several community partners in the neighborhood who've been pretty engaged. They told us some of their hopes and wishes and put forth some challenges for us and I know hap will continue to do what they do and really truly engaging folks that will be affected, not just the residents but also the surrounding business owners and neighbors. So with that, i'm going to let mike andrews provide a little bit more and we can answer any questions.

Fish: Thank you.

Mike Andrews, Housing Authority of Portland: Good morning, madame president and members of the commission. I'm mike andrews, for the housing authority and here on behalf of our executive director and our board of commissioners. Let me start by saying thank you for the support for the hillsdale terrace redevelopment and for others projects that we've worked on before. This is an important project. Like with the two past hope vi projects this is an effort for us to address one of the more challenging public housing communities in our portfolio. The others were examples of projects that needed attention both physically and socially. Hillsdale terrace is the next on our list

to address so we're excited at this opportunity to address the issues affecting our project in a comprehensive way. We've been involved in the process with residents in the community and look forward to be able to continue that if awarded this grant. The process will be competitive. We're anticipating that there will be maybe 30 applications to hud. In the past, given the amount of money available, we imagine about eight will be funded. Like the as for you're entertaining today is important to us to show there's a community participation, there's community support for this effort. So resolution from city council along with the county resolution which we have and letters of support from housing community sources and countless letters which amount to \$4 million of leveraged commitments to the project go to show this is an effort that's well received by the community. With that, i'll stop to answer any questions, except to plug an important upcoming event on november 20th. The groundbreaking for the resource access center been working with staff in the Portland housing and the Portland development commission. And we encourage to come to sign documents and we'll record the next day and then look forward to breaking ground the week after. So thank you for your authority on that project as well.

Fish: Thank you, mike.

Fritz: Questions from council? Anyone wish for testify on this issue? It's a resolution. Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye.

Fish: I want to thank mike and his team and all of the good folks at hap for their good work and margaret, for coming to a meeting after a long and exhausting day to arrange and thank you for sending a staff person and we did get constructive feedback and I think the theme, we will support this in concept but we want you to be ambitious. If you're going to truly connect hillsdale terrace back into the community, we want you to think about trails and roads and infrastructure improvements and community gardens and how this impacts the school system and other things. And that's what we should be doing in a hope vi project. To my colleagues I want to just say that this will be the final application that our housing authority submits for a hope vi grant because the program is sunsetting. And so we are in a very competitive process. I cannot handicap for you the odds of us getting this grant, but we owe it to the people who live there to make a shot at it and if we're successful, we look at this as not only a chance to revitalize but a chance to put people back to work. A stimulus benefit. And on how we pay for it, we're asking for the resolution -- excuse me, the -- the -- yeah, the resolution requests that the council commit up to \$5 million. I remind my colleagues, as with prior hope vi applications it's the responsibility of the commissioner in charge of the housing bureau if and when that note comes due to find the money. We're not asking you in a future budget to segregate \$5 million for this purpose. We have lots of different financing pools we can turn to. But this is our way of saying, yes, go forward with this application. We're confident if you get it, you'll do a good job and we're willing to make an investment which we know will be leveraged many times over. Thank you for your good work and i'm pleased to vote aye. **Saltzman:** I'm hopeful this application will be approved and I think it's interesting, hillsdale terrace, because of its geographic configuration, it's really like down the hillside and really, I think, invisible

Saltzman: I'm hopeful this application will be approved and I think it's interesting, hillsdale terrace because of its geographic configuration, it's really like down the hillside and really, I think, invisible to many people who live in hillsdale. But certainly, it's a place that definitely has served its need --served the need and definitely if it can follow the mold of new columbia and humboldt gardens, we'll have something to be proud of. So pleased to vote aye.

Fritz: Thank you for all your good work on this. I noted on the consent agenda, that we approved \$2 million in federal stimulus money for rent assistance and then you mentioned the opening of the rac. Clearly, the housing bureau is looking for mechanisms to help people get into affordable housing in many different strategies. And appreciate the early engagement of the hillsdale community and it does warrant reconnecting the site with the surrounding area and there's a significant need for affordable housing throughout the city and in the southwest area. I thank you,

margaret and kate allen and danielle for briefing my staff and commissioner Fish, this is another commendable action. Aye. Please read title for emergency ordinance 1543.

Item 1543.

Fritz: Commissioner Saltzman.

Saltzman: Thank you, madame president. The bureau recently completed a process to select three firms to provide engineering services on an as-needed basis, particularly provide service that is inhouse staff cannot accomplish. Without -- within established schedules. Two of the three firms are certified minority business enterprises and all three include minority women and emerging small business subcontractors. I would urge approval.

Fritz: Thank you. Questions from council? Does anyone wish to testify on this issue? Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye. Fish: Aye. Saltzman: Aye.

Fritz: Aye. And I believe that concludes our regular agenda. We have a 10:15 time certain and we are set to lose our quorum and it's an emergency ordinance, so I would entertain a motion to suspend the rules to consider the time certain.

Fish: So moved.
Saltzman: Second.

Fritz: Without exception, please read the title for time certain.

Item 1524.

Saltzman: Today we're here to about clean rivers and healthy watersheds. A 30-foot tree can intercept -- this makes trees some of Portland's most valuable resources. They slow stormwater run-off and they hold soils in place and they protect streams from erosion and they provide shade, keeping our urban landscape cool and reducing the stormwater entering our streams and rivers. And they're also phenomenal. The tree-bate is part of Portland's grey-to-green initiative and will provide an incentive for Portland residents to plant trees in their yard. Council's support will spread of sustainable. Able to add 30,000 yard trees throughout our city to benefit our environment and neighborhoods and quality of life. This is an emergency ordinance because the best time to plant trees is in the fall, winter and early spring and authorizing the program immediately will help us meet our tree-planting goals in this fiscal year. Here is dan and jennifer of the bureau of environmental services.

Jennifer Karps, Bureau of Environmental Services: Thank you, commissioner Saltzman, hello commissioners, we're excited to be here with the grey-to-green tree-bate this morning. I want to expand on what commissioner Saltzman said. Our tagline is to plant a tree for clean rivers and treebates. We want to manage more stormwater where it falls and watershed health, trees provide habitat both for humans and other critters and also neighborhood liveability and involvement when our neighborhoods are more livable, we have more eyes on the street and then our neighborhoods are more livable. [laughter] so how does the tree-bate work? First go out and purchase an eligible tree and plant it and submit your application with your receipt to us and then we provide with you a rebate to your utility bill for 50% of the cost of the tree up to \$40 and if you planted a tree that's a native species, we'll give you up to \$50. There are a few additional requirements. We want to make sure the trees have a good chance to making it to maturity. So the tree trunk must be at least one inch in diameter. Four feet if it's a coniferous tree. We want to make sure that each of these trees has a maximum canopy and then we also want our applicants to agree to let us put a dot on our map on workinggreen.com so we can encourage fellow residents to plant trees with us. There are a few trees ineligible. For example, trees planted with friends of trees and if it must be planted for a condition of development or mitigation. And we will not provide a tree-bate for those. We will measure success with our successful program having willing and active business partners and engaged community and providing timely credits to people who participate and tens of thousands of healthy yard trees to show for our efforts. They'll process 10 to 15 million-gallons of stormwater.

That will not have to be processed through our gray infrastructure and we will have improved stormwater management and watershed health. And we as i'm sure you're aware are not alone in this effort. From d.c. to sacramento and austin, there are folks planting trees all over the country for similar purposes and with that, i'm happy to take questions. Thank you.

Leonard: I do have one.

Karps: Yes?

Leonard: I'm not understanding why one must have four mature trees on-site to qualify.

Karps: No -- no mature sites -- on-site are required to qualify.

Leonard: If I can finish.

*****: Sorry.

Leonard: The financial impact statement that each of us gets says -- in order to qualify, residential property must have at least four mature trees on-site. That's item 3 under revenue.

Dan Vizzini, Bureau of Environmental Services: That's a reference to clean river rewards, the stormwater discount program. When that program was developed in -- and adopted in 2006, we provided a discount on your stormwater utility bill for on-site stormwater management facilities and while doing that, we said trees are an important part of this picture. We'll provide -- will provide a benefit to property owners if they have trees --

Leonard: I understand that.

Vizzini: But --

Leonard: So your answer is this is in reference to that program and not to this?

Vizzini: Correct, correct.

Fritz: Thank you, that's a helpful clarification. Any other questions from council?

Vizzini: One thing that will happen here, if people take advantage of the tree-bate program and reach that four trees on their property, then they'll also be able to get a discount on their utility bill.

Leonard: Right, right.

Fritz: How can people find out more about this program?

Karps: They can contact me, jennifer karps. My contact was on the screen. They can go to a number of websites. The tree-bate website, www.Portlandonline.com/trees and workingPortland.com.

Fritz: Thank you very much. Does anyone wish to testify?

*****: [inaudible]

Fritz: Yes. ******: Ok.

Fritz: Thank you for coming. We started early and I apologize for any citizen who was hoping to get here by 10:15.

Leonard: If this was the chicago city council and you arrived with an instrument case, I think i'd duck.

*****: Made in Oregon.

Leonard: Made in Oregon? I don't see any neon on it.

*****: I have a song.

Fritz: Let's veronica signed up first.

*****: Oh, it's just a little bit shy of 11:00 --

Fritz: After 10:00.

*****: Yeah, you're right. The technicians again.

Leonard: Matt davis would provide himself to be useful by providing a clock.

Veronica Bernier: Yeah, check with ground control. Mayor sam is not here, he's flying to japan. That's lovely. They're a good mover and a good ride. Good morning, commissioner nick Fish.

Fish: Good morning.

Bernier: Lovely to see you busy and active. Keep it up, the good works. And good morning, dan Saltzman. We could use about a hundred of you, really. It's more important to light the night and he knows what I mean.

Fish: [inaudible]

Leonard: I can only handle one dan. [talking over each other]

*****: It's your turn to have a party, nick.

Leonard: I would resign today if there were 100 dans.

Bernier: Good morning, amanda Fritz. **Fritz:** Would you state your name, please?

Bernier: Veronica. Public health graduate and alumni in Portland. Amanda Fritz, that's a lovely name. I like amanda. I'm -- i'm trying to think of a good word for amanda. Uh-oh, she's got the gavel.

Leonard: Going to hit me with it.

Bernier: Order in the court. Seriously speaking -- **Fish:** Much needed discipline to our -- [laughter]

Bernier: Seriously, commissioner amanda Fritz, I know you're an advocate of women's right and we're talking about trees here and the riparian green effect in Portland. Former mayor vera katz planted trees in the city. She had a lot of help. Commissioner dan Saltzman and --

Leonard: I dug a number of holes for mayor katz. [laughter]

Bernier: Commissioner randy Leonard -- kudos to amanda Fritz helping the regular people and also a former nurse, we appreciate your input. And commissioner randy Leonard, of course, been holding down the flag for city council a long time and appreciate your work with the boac panel and your work with trees and the fire department.

Leonard: Thank you.

Bernier: I wanted to say my friend diane from heritage trees puts little plaques on trees and for every heritage tree there is, there's somebody behind it. There's always a riparian green effect and our canopy should be so big. I wanted to support the tree planting. It's not the johnny apple seed movement yet but they do absorb stormwater and also it's a place to catch a kite. [laughter] **Fritz:** Thank you. Sir? Please state your name.

Brian Symes: I'm brian, and planted with the friends of trees for the last 20 years. Supervised mayor katz and blumenauer and wyden -- weeden. And I might have supervised you too, dan.

Saltzman: Good luck.

Symes: Here's my friends of trees song. $\P\P$ [music] $\P\P$ ¶ how beautiful it will be \P ¶ when we plant the tree \P ¶ we friends of trees \P ¶ forests will grow \P ¶ with the magic of time \P ¶ for our children \P ¶ for our children to see \P ¶ green over gray \P ¶ we will succeed \P ¶ when we plant the tree \P ¶ [music] \P ¶ paradise not lost, but gained \P ¶ to the sea \P ¶ when we plant the tree: \P ¶ we win a tree \P [applause] I got to get back to an ecoroof seminar.

Saltzman: Of course, you do.

Fritz: Thank you for coming back. [laughter] would anyone like to testify on this ordinance. It's an emergency ordinance, please call the roll.

Leonard: Yes.

Fish: Thank you for an excellent presentation. When I bought my house 12 years ago, I bought it primarily because there were two or three beautiful trees in front. Including a big-leaf maple which was very old and just after a closed, it collapsed on my house. [laughter] my mojo, thinking about future run for public office, the bill I got for the work that the crew did in chopping up enough firewood for a lifetime. About \$800.

Leonard: You got off cheap.

Fish: I've been thinking about replacing that tree. [laughter] now I have a financial incentive, so I appreciate this market-based system and pleased to vote aye.

Saltzman: I want to thank jennifer and dan and the bureau of environment services to come up with an innovative way to achieve our goals in natural-based alternatives to pipes and pump stations to clean stormwater and keep it from -- the pollution from getting into our rivers and streams and provide more tree canty which is a win-win for everybody. Pleased to vote aye.

Fritz: This is an excellent program to provide incentives and help homeowners who might not be able to afford to plant a tree or several trees and I commend commissioner Saltzman and the bureau of environment services and especially appreciate the mechanism of giving the rebate, was a credit on the utility bill. Which means we don't have a lot of extra administrative expenses. That's commandable. Aye. Something further?

Leonard: [inaudible]

Fritz: Really. I'm informed by the city attorney I don't have to gavel after each one.

Leonard: I'm built for gavel and it throws my mojo off. **Fritz:** You like to say something else before we adjourn.

Leonard: I would. There is a difference. Would I like to move that we have a 6:00 p.m. Council on december 16th for a proclamation for former senator margaret carter and considering the mayor's river plan.

Fritz: Hear a second?

Fish: Second.

Fritz: Please call the roll.

Leonard: Aye. Fish: Aye. Saltzman: Aye.

Fritz: Aye. And with that, our next meeting will be thursday, november 12th, because we will be observing the veteran's holiday on november 11th and council is adjourned. [gavel pounded]

At 10:14 a.m., Council adjourned.