



CITY OF  
**PORTLAND, OREGON**

OFFICIAL  
 MINUTES

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2010** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Adams, Presiding; Commissioners Fish, Fritz, Leonard and Saltzman, 5.

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

Item Nos. 1605 and 1607 were pulled for discussion and on a Y-5 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Item No.1641 was Referred to the Commissioner of Finance and Administration.

<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<b>Disposition:</b>
<p><b>1585</b> Request of Michelle Bart, Soroptimist International Northwest Coalition Against Trafficking to address Council regarding the 3rd Annual Northwest Conference (Communication)</p>	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<p><b>1586</b> Request of William Bjornson to address Council regarding the recent political psyop targeting the people of the City of Portland by the FBI (Communication)</p>	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>TIMES CERTAIN</b>	
<p><b>1587 TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM</b> – Accept the Education Strategies Report (Report introduced by Mayor Adams) 30 minutes requested</p> <p><b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Fritz.</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<p><b>1588 TIME CERTAIN: 10:00 AM</b> – Adopt Portland’s Natural Hazard Risk Reduction Strategy, also known as the 2010 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan which documents the hazards, their impact, the city’s vulnerability and the strategies to reduce loss due to the hazards (Resolution introduced by Mayor Adams) 30 minutes requested</p> <p><b>Continued to December 15, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Amend to modify title and adopt amendments as detailed in new Exhibit C:</b> Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Fritz.</p> <p>(Y-5)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<b>36837</b> AS AMENDED

<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Sam Adams</b></p>	
<p><b>*1589</b> Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland Public Schools and TriMet to continue the Student Transit Pass Project to offer fareless public transportation for high-school students at Portland Public Schools (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184291</b></p>
<p><b>Bureau of Planning &amp; Sustainability</b></p>	
<p><b>*1590</b> Authorize a Permit and Right of Entry agreement with the Port of Portland to grant City staff access to West Hayden Island (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184292</b></p>
<p><b>*1591</b> Amend an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Port of Portland for additional compensation required for City staff to complete the adoption phase of the Airport Futures project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 52355)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184293</b></p>
<p><b>1592</b> Amend contract with Rick Hlavka dba Green Solutions in the amount of \$25,475 to provide additional Food Scrap Curbside Collection Pilot Waste Composition Analysis services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001299)</p>	<p><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 5, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>1593</b> Consent to the transfer of the residential solid waste, recycling and yard debris collection franchise from Deines Bros. Sanitary Service to Hoodview Disposal and Recycling, Inc. (Second Reading Agenda 1568)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184294</b></p>
<p><b>Bureau of Police</b></p>	
<p><b>*1594</b> Accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$198,128 from the Oregon Office of Emergency Management - Military Department FY 2009 Buffer Zone Protection Grant Program for terrorism prevention and intervention capital equipment (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184295</b></p>
<p><b>*1595</b> Extend contract with David Corey, Ph.D. for psychological examinations (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 35139)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184296</b></p>
<p><b>*1596</b> Accept a grant in the amount of \$310,000 and appropriate \$232,500 for FY 2011 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2010 Gang Resistance Education and Training Regional Training Centers program for program expenses (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184297</b></p>

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<p><b>*1597</b> Accept a grant in the amount of \$50,000 and appropriate \$40,000 for FY 2011 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2010 Gang Resistance Education and Training Program - Evaluation Sites Local program for program expenses (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184298</b></p>
<p><b>*1598</b> Accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$198,290 from U.S. Department of Homeland Security for FY 2009 Buffer Zone Plan and Vulnerability Reduction Purchase Plan (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184299</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Bureau of Transportation</b></p>	
<p><b>1599</b> Extend completion date for the Bureau of Transportation's Recommendations based on the Northwest Parking Plan adopted by City Council in 2003 (Resolution; amend Resolution No. 36744)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>36833</b></p>
<p><b>*1600</b> Accept a \$1,958,651 grant and authorize a grant agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation <i>ConnectOregon</i> III Grant program for Oregon Sustainability Streetcar Access Project (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184300</b></p>
<p><b>*1601</b> Authorize a Ground Lease Agreement with ZRZ Realty Co. for construction staging related to the SW Gibbs St Pedestrian Bridge Project (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184301</b></p>
<p><b>*1602</b> Accept a \$654,000 grant from and authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation for Springwater Trail: SE Umatilla to SE 19th (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184302</b></p>
<p><b>*1603</b> Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the Right-of-Way Services Agreement for the N Killingsworth St Project Phase II (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184303</b></p>
<p><b>*1604</b> Amend contract with Parametrix, Inc. to extend contract date, add services and increase compensation to prepare a Parking Management Plan for the Central Eastside Industrial District (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001283)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184304</b></p>
<p><b>*1605</b> Grant revocable permit to Portland Saturday Market, Inc. to use parts of SW Ankeny and parts of SW 1st for market operations and to close parts of SW Ankeny, SW Naito Pkwy and NW Naito Pkwy during certain hours (Ordinance)</p>	<p align="center"><b>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Office of Emergency Management</b></p>	

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<p><b>*1606</b> Authorize the Emergency Management Performance Grant FY 11 Certificate, an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management and approve application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Management Performance Grant of \$190,862 to complete an agreed upon Work Plan (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184305</b></p>
<p><b>*1607</b> Authorize the application to Federal Emergency Management Agency for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program grant of \$26,667 to conduct a Community Risk Reduction Strategy to complement the 2010 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan/Risk Reduction Strategy (Ordinance)  <b>Continued to December 15, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.</b>  <b>Motion to amend to add Findings paragraph 6, Directive paragraph C and remove attachment A:</b> Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Fritz. (Y-5)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184330</b> AS AMENDED</p>
<p><b>Office of Management and Finance</b></p>	
<p><b>*1608</b> Create the Public Safety General Obligation Bond Construction Fund (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184306</b></p>
<p><b>*1609</b> Create a new Nonrepresented classification of Benefits Coordinator and establish a compensation rate for this classification (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184307</b></p>
<p><b>*1610</b> Create a new Nonrepresented classification of Water Bureau Emergency Management Manager and establish a compensation rate for this classification (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184308</b></p>
<p><b>*1611</b> Pay claim of Mitchell Johnson (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184309</b></p>
<p><b>*1612</b> Pay claim of Alganesh Negasi (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184310</b></p>
<p><b>*1613</b> Authorize a Price Agreement with Pacific Rock Products, LLC, dba CEMEX, to provide Bulk Mixed Concrete for a 5-year contractual total not to exceed \$2,850,000 (Ordinance)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184311</b></p>
<p><b>*1614</b> Extend the Price Agreement with Office Depot for office supplies for an additional 5 years for a 5-year contractual total not to exceed \$6,000,000 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 40939)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184312</b></p>
<p><b>1615</b> Accept bid of Canby Excavating, Inc. for the Deltawood LID Phase 1 &amp; 2 for \$499,096 (Procurement Report – Bid No. 112240)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b></p>

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**Commissioner Randy Leonard  
Position No. 4**

**Bureau of Water**

**1616** Authorize the Portland Water Bureau to execute grants to fund the Habitat Restoration Project in support of the Bull Run Water Supply Habitat Conservation Plan (Ordinance)

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**Portland Fire & Rescue**

**\*1617** Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland Community College CLIMB HP for ongoing Emergency Medical Services training (Ordinance)  
  
(Y-5)

**184313**

**Commissioner Amanda Fritz  
Position No. 1**

**Office of Cable Communications and Franchise Management**

**\*1618** Extend term of a franchise granted to tw telecom of oregon llc to build and operate telecommunication facilities within City streets (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 171566)  
  
(Y-5)

**184314**

**\*1619** Extend term of a franchise granted to McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. to build and operate telecommunication facilities within City streets (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 175061)  
  
(Y-5)

**184315**

**\*1620** Extend term of a franchise granted to XO Communications Services, Inc. to build and operate telecommunication facilities within City streets (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 175062)  
  
(Y-5)

**184316**

**\*1621** Extend term of a franchise granted to Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc. to build and operate telecommunication facilities within City streets (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 175162)  
  
(Y-5)

**184317**

**Office of Human Relations**

**\*1622** Amend contract with Team HR, LLC for \$6,837 to provide additional team development services for the Office of Human Relations (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001666)  
  
(Y-5)

**184318**

**Commissioner Nick Fish  
Position No. 2**

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**Portland Housing Bureau**

**\*1623** Extend contract with Dignity Village to June 30, 2011 to manage a transitional housing campground at Sunderland Yard (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 53015)

(Y-5)

**184319**

**Portland Parks & Recreation**

**\*1624** Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with School District No. 1J, Multnomah County for the Director of Portland Parks & Recreation to accept and distribute funds for Buckman Field renovation (Ordinance)

(Y-5)

**184320**

**\*1625** Authorize lease agreement with Jacobsen Portland LLC for Portland Parks & Recreation South Maintenance District Headquarters (Ordinance)

(Y-5)

**184321**

**1626** Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to provide and receive funds to and from Department of School & Community Partnerships for the SUN Community School Initiative (Second Reading Agenda 1577)

(Y-5)

**184322**

**Commissioner Dan Saltzman  
Position No. 3**

**Bureau of Environmental Services**

**1627** Amend contract with PB Americas, Inc. for additional work and compensation for Portsmouth Force Main Odor Control Project No. E08927 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000641)

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**1628** Authorize a contract with PB Americas, Inc. for engineering services for the design of the SW Parallel Interceptor Odorous Air Control and Treatment Project No. E10121 (Ordinance)

**PASSED TO  
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**1629** Authorize a contract and provide for payment for the construction of the SW 18th Ave Sewer Replacement Project No. E10010 (Ordinance)

**PASSED TO  
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**1630** Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to partner on a salmon and lamprey monitoring program for Tryon Creek basin (Second Reading Agenda 1579)

(Y-5)

**184323**

**REGULAR AGENDA**

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<p><b>1631</b> Appoint members to the 2011 Charter Commission, convene Commission and request specific study and actions (Resolution introduced by Mayor Adams and Commissioners Fish, Fritz, Leonard and Saltzman) 10 minutes requested <b>Continued to December 15, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.</b></p> <p><b>Motion to amend exhibit to indicate co-chairs:</b> Moved by Mayor Adams and seconded by Commissioner Fritz. (Y-5) (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>36836</b> AS AMENDED</p>	
<p align="center"><b>Mayor Sam Adams</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Bureau of Transportation</b></p> <p><b>1632</b> Vacate a portion of SW Whitaker St west of SW Moody Ave subject to certain conditions and reservations (Hearing; Ordinance; VAC-10068)</p> <p><b>Motion to amend legal description and map:</b> Moved by Mayor Adams and seconded by Commissioner Fritz. (Y-5) (Y-5)</p>		<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED JANUARY 5, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Office of Management and Finance</b></p> <p><b>*1633</b> Amend contract with 3 Kings Environmental, Inc. by an additional \$511,431 for additional construction services for the Stanton Yard Fuel Facility project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001449) (Y-5)</p>		<p align="center"><b>184325</b></p>
<p><b>*1634</b> Authorize contract with lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Fire Station 18 Seismic Upgrade and Facility Remodel project for estimated cost of \$1,509,700 (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>		<p align="center"><b>184326</b></p>
<p><b>1635</b> Accept guaranteed maximum price of \$27,814,675 from Stacy and Witbeck, Inc. for the construction of the SW Moody Avenue Roadway and Track Relocation Project (Procurement Report – RFP No. 111818)</p> <p><b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Commissioner Fritz and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. (Y-5)</p>		<p align="center"><b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Portland Development Commission</b></p> <p><b>1636</b> Authorize the Portland Development Commission to pursue an expansion of the Portland Enterprise Zone to add property at 7700 NE Ambassador Place (Resolution) 15 minutes requested (Y-5)</p>		<p align="center"><b>36834</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Commissioner Randy Leonard</b> <b>Position No. 4</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Bureau of Water</b></p>		

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<p><b>*1637</b> Authorize a sole source contract with Camp Dresser and McKee, Inc. to support development of LT2 variance request (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184327</b></p>
<p><b>1638</b> Authorize a construction contract and provide payment for the Powell Butte Reservoir 2 Phase 2 Project (Second Reading Agenda 1576)  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184328</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Portland Fire &amp; Rescue</b></p>	
<p><b>1639</b> Direct the Office of Management and Finance to set aside each year the apparatus replacement appropriation from the General Fund into a dedicated apparatus replacement fund for the next five years starting FY 2010-11 and resume the regular appropriation to Portland Fire &amp; Rescue of approximately \$1,800,000 plus inflation annually for apparatus replacement thereafter (Resolution) 10 minutes requested  (Y-4; N-1, Saltzman)</p>	<p align="center"><b>36835</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Commissioner Nick Fish Position No. 2</b></p>	
<p align="center"><b>Portland Housing Bureau</b></p>	
<p><b>*1640</b> Authorize a Disposition and Development Agreement to convey Block 49 to REACH Community Development Corporation, Inc. for \$1 and provide up to \$23,000,000 in tax increment financing for development of 209 units of affordable housing in the North Macadam Urban Renewal Area (Ordinance) 30 minutes requested  (Y-5)</p>	<p align="center"><b>184324</b></p>

At 1:03 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2010** AT 3:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Adams, Presiding; Commissioners Fish, Fritz, Leonard and Saltzman, 5.

Commissioner Leonard arrived at 3:06 p.m.

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

<p><b>1641 TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM</b> – Denial of a vacation request for a portion of SW Hillsdale Ct and a portion of SW 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave south of SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy (Hearing introduced by Mayor Adams; Previous Agenda 1356; VAC-10011) 1 hour requested</p>	<p><b>Disposition:</b></p> <p><b>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION</b></p>
<p><b>*1642 TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM</b> – Create Portland Housing Advisory Commission and dissolve Housing and Community Development Commission (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Fish; replace Code Chapter 3.38) 30 minutes for items 1642 and 1643</p> <p><b>Motion to amend Exhibit A 3.38.020 to include the word “homelessness” in the mission statement:</b> Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Fritz. (Y-5)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>184329</b> AS AMENDED</p>
<p><b>1643</b> Confirm the inaugural appointments to the Portland Housing Advisory Commission (Report introduced by Mayor Adams)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p><b>CONFIRMED</b></p>

At 3:57 p.m., Council adjourned.

**LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADE**  
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Susan Parsons  
Acting Clerk of the Council

For a discussion of agenda items, please consult the following Closed Caption File.

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**Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting**

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**DECEMBER 15, 2010      9:30 AM**

**Adams:** Good morning, everyone. The city council will come to order. It's wednesday, december 15. We're -- sue, to call the roll and i'd like to read the following proclamation and do we have folks here? Please come up. Our special guests. Have a seat. And if you could tell us who you are and where you're from.

**Shelley Campbell:** Mr. Mayor, i'm shelley campbell. A trauma nurse at legacy hospital and coordinator of outreach and professional education.

**Adams:** You do a great job.

**Matthew Goodman:** I'm with Multnomah County District Attorney's Office. Currently, i'm the dui deputy.

**Adams:** You do great work too.

**Goodman:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Not enough people.

**Tom Parker:** I'm tom parker. We fight substance abuse and suicide.

**Adams:** And you have a fantastic voice.

**Parker:** You would think after talking to you so many times on the radio, I might have developed skills.

**Adams:** You have surpassed our expectations. I'm pleased to read the following proclamation as a important reminder of public safety as we head into the holiday, further into the holiday season and first of the year. Whereas, nearly 3500 duii arrests are made each year in Multnomah county, and whereas, crashes involving impaired drivers are more severe than crashes with unimpaired drivers and resulted in 22 fatalities in the city of Portland between january 1st, 2009 and november 1st, 2010. Just shy of a year. 22 fatalities. Whereas, most drivers arrested for duii in Portland had a blood alcohol content that is double the legal limit. And whereas, the majority of people fatally injured in an alcohol-involved crash had not been drinking and whereas, the destruction of lives and personal property can be drastically reduced through a combination of effective laws, community programs that integrate and coordinate the enforcement, prosecution, adjudication and treatment and education components of the driving under the influence of intoxicate system. And whereas, by working together toward a common goal of reducing the incidents of drinking and driving and, therefore, fewer alcohol and drug-related fatal and injury crashes, we'll enjoy a safer transportation system for walkers, bicyclists and auto drivers. I, therefore, sam Adams, proclaim december 25th through december 31st to be driving under the influence awareness week in Portland and encourage all residents to observe this week. What message was maybe -- starting with you, nurse, what message would you like to -- or personal experience would you like to share with viewers?

**Campbell:** Well, obviously, at the hospital, we get to see the result of what happens when impaired drivers hit the road and end up causing a crash. The majority of crashes that occur, especially during the holiday season, are by impaired drivers and not just slightly impaired. Significantly impaired. And the cost. 22 lives lost and for each, they estimate well over \$1 million cost for the life lost. But I don't think it is in terms of money that I see the biggest import. It's the impact on the families and friends of the people not just losing their live, but how to devastating the families and communities around them and not just the loss of life of those gone, but those left impaired with

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these crashes and the majority, almost three-fourth of the people we see are there with injuries they acquire from doing something impaired. Beyond significant.

**Adams:** Thank you. And what kind of penalties will someone face if they're caught drunk driving or if they've been the cause of a crash related to drunk driving.

**Goodman:** Well, if it's a first-time offender, they might be eligible for the diversion program which they enter a plea of guilty and sentencing is set over for a year. During the year-long period, they have to go through treatment and attend a victims impact panel which most people say is the most effective and the effects and the consequences of the decisions are. There's typically a three-year enhanced bench probation. The second time convictions carry three years of enhanced bench probation and anywhere from 15-45 days of jail and recently with the new measure, your third dui in 10 years is a felony and statutory minimum sentence.

**Adams:** The Oregon partnership isn't as well known. Do you want to talk about that and how its work relates to the proclamation today?

**Parker:** Sure. Oregon partnership and the main reason we're here is to fight substance abuse and suicide. And the substances include alcohol and prescription drugs and we've seen a giant rise in prescription drug abuse. It's an epidemic. It's easy to focus on drunk driving but we're talking about driving under the influence the intoxicants here. I'm sure nobody here experimented with marijuana, but if you can imagine a person driving a vehicle or triple trailer under alcohol, marijuana, prescription drugs, it's a scary concept and one of the things we do at Oregon partnership, we deal with 40,000 phone calls a year regarding primarily different substance substances. Prescription drugs being number two behind alcohol and ahead of marijuana. We talk about how important it is for parents to talk to their kids about drinking and driving should never be an option. We use the expression that driving is a privilege, not a right and gives you a sense of freedom and an enormous responsibility we have bear. Commissioner Fritz and commissioner Leonard with their background with emt work and nursing profession, you know that these things affect -- it's motor impairment, impulse control and judgment all being affected and we want to bring people's awareness that this is a very serious matter and i'd love to have people get -- ratchet up their concern, including over-the-counter prescription drugs and getting behind the wheel is dangerous.

**Saltzman:** Maybe elaborate on the drugs most prevalent.

**Parker:** The ones we're seeing big problems with, commissioner Saltzman, things like oxycodone and vicodin and percocet and things that the average person, each one of you probably has several in your home that you had maybe from a previous surgery or procedure that need to be disposed of.

We were talking before we came in, a person thinks nothing about taking a prescription medication and having a drink afterward because they took it like a vitamin and it's a dangerous combination and there's a epidemic with people getting into your homes and getting their hands on them. Good to see, commissioner Fritz, may I use your restroom? And go in and see if you have prescription meds. The number one place that kids find prescription drugs is in their parents' and grandparent's medicine chests and it relates to driving and it's huge. One more thing we talk about, do not operate heavy machinery on it. They're not talking about a john deere tractor. They're talking about your car and motor. That's machinery. Thank you.

**Adams:** Thank you all very much. Really appreciate it. Sue, please call the roll. [roll call]

**Adams:** Can you please begin with communications item number 1584.

**Item 1584**

**Adams:** Hi, welcome.

**Michelle Bart:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Glad you're here.

**Bart:** Thank you, mayor. Good morning, mayor and council. My name is michelle bart. I'm with soroptimist international northwestern region. The public awareness chair for the entire region. We

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represent Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Montana and Idaho and serve five states. This epidemic I'm here to speak about today on human trafficking, unfortunately is everywhere in our five states that we represent. Portland and Seattle ranking one and two in the areas in which we have to provide services. Before I'm done with my three minutes, a child will be kidnapped at the age of six right here in Portland. Hopefully, not, but it's true. A 14-year-old will be getting off her shift on Stark Street or 82nd that just did 20 Johns. A 15-year-old will be trying to get services and long-term shelter and support services where they can be protected from being pimped back on to the street and a 30-year-old single mother whose child is a product of a rape while being prostituted will need services and will live a lifetime of nightmares the rest of her life. She's never ever be able to come out of being victimized. We all have our roles here with Soroptimist International, we've been around since 1921. Trying to be the best for women and improving the lives of women and girls. We're in 125 countries. Our region right here in the Pacific Northwest is the second largest region in our federation of 19 countries behind Japan. We're the largest in this country and we're here to make a difference and help and partner with Dan Saltzman. Senator Wyden and many others and we have our roles and work closely and have many great partnerships with the YWCA, Eric Brown, Janus Youth and others. Our role here is we're able to produce one of the premiere conferences on the west coast of the country for the public. And in this case, we're going in our third year with the Northwest Conference Against Trafficking that will take place January 14th through the 16th at the convention center at the Red Lion right in downtown Portland and we're encouraging everyone to look beneath the surface and come out and listen to the speakers. We have actress Daryl Hannah. Attorney General Rob McKenna and others, like Linda Smith from Shared Hope and Bradley Miles from Polaris Project from Washington D.C. We would like -- Polaris Project. Right now we have 17 states represented. We'd like the residents of Portland to come out and learn about how they can eradicate this epidemic in their backyard here in Portland and look beneath the surface.

**Saltzman:** Isn't it true this is the first time that Soroptimist have adopted an advocacy position on an issue?

**Bart:** Yes, this is. We're a service organization like the Rotary or Kiwanis and never been able to take on political stances until this past July in San Francisco where we adopted a resolution on prostitution and human trafficking and I'm happy to say we've joined forces with Senator Ron Wyden to try to get the bill passed in the House this week. Which we're having a holdup right now to get on the agenda. But we are having a vocal voice on that, yes.

**Saltzman:** We very much appreciate your efforts and that of the Soroptimists.

**Bart:** Thank you very much.

**Adams:** Please read the title for communications item 1586.

**Item 1586.**

**Adams:** William Bjornson?

**William Bjornson:** Forgive, I'm old and confused.

**Adams:** Please have a seat. That clock in front of you -- please have a seat. We prefer to have people seated. If you wouldn't mind taking a seat, that would be great. The clock will help you count down your three minutes.

**Bjornson:** I'm sure it will. Thank you. My name is Bjornson William, Corporal, United States Marine Corps. I study human natural history. I've -- I'm very angry and come here pretty much involuntarily to ask Mayor Sam Adams and the rest of the Council to never allow them to be intimidated by the neo so-called Homeland Security. In 18 -- I quote, domestic terrorism, means acts that are a violation of the criminal laws of the United States or any state. B, appear to be intended to intimidate a civilian population and influence a government by intimidation or coercion. This law is a clear indictment of this FBI conspirator against Portland. Somewhere in the pseudo-patriot act, it's been added the George Orwell prediction. Mr. Mohamud was -- specifically the FBI, which to me stands for f'ing bad idea. And confused young people to become suicide bombers and corrupt one

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of our local young people who angry as he was had never expressed any idea to do anything like that here. He was a normal kid. Oregon has a strong position of protecting young people. And how Portland deals with ss-style behavior is up to Portland but when these monsters choose to abuse our young people in their political machinations. My 17th birthday -- to defend my country against all enemies, foreign and domestic, my oath takes over my being and heart and I simply can't tolerate it. It doesn't take much understanding of human nature or behavior to understand his outrage. It's the outrage we saw in thousands of young americans who went to spain in the 1930s when fascism arose there. The outrageous lies and psychopathic horrors of world war ii and later vietnam. The fed charged him with a thought crime and incarcerated him and now the feds will defend him? I think not. How much more of a conflict of interest could any defense attorney have than to be working for the very perpetrators of the betrayal of our youth. He's an american and in spirit, much more american than any of these federal neo-ss monsters. That's all I have to say.

**Adams:** Thank you for your testimony. Appreciate it.

**Bjornson:** Yes, sir.

**Adams:** We have a couple of housekeeping items.

**Bjornson:** If Portland has morality, get him out of federal custody.

**Adams:** Thank you, sir. Your time is up.

**Bjornson:** [inaudible]

**Adams:** All right, all right. I hear you. We're pulling back 1605 to my office. Can you please read the title.

**Adams:** Unless objections, it's pull back to my office. [gavel pounded] 1607 will be heard with the 10:00 time certain. And is there any other agenda -- and then item number -- please read the title for item title number 1641.

**Item 1641.**

**Leonard:** That's a 2:00?

**Adams:** Yep.

**Leonard:** 2:00 --

**Adams:** Yep. This is going to be pulled back to my office as well unless there are objections in the last 24 hours, people have actually started talking to each other. [gavel pounded]

**Fish:** Mayor --

**Adams:** We'll begin this afternoon at 3:00.

**Ben Walters, Chief Deputy City Attorney:** I understand that may be postponed to a date certain?

**Adams:** No, it was at one time, but not now. Please call the vote on the consent agenda.

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. [gavel pounded] consent agenda is approved. Can you please read the title for time certain -- 9:30 time certain 1587.

**Item 1587.**

**Adams:** I'm pleased to -- pleased to present this report today on a partnership effort. Although it's coming before us, I want you to know what we've been up to. This has been a partnership with leaders roundtable, Portland state university. The Portland school foundation Portland public schools and i've got a long introduction, but i'm not feeling well so i'm going to turn it over to Kali ladd.

**Kali Ladd:** Hi, city council. I'm going to give context about the work we've been doing to date. In 2009, the mayor partnered with the county chair to form the education cabinet. The education cabinet had two goals. The first was to increased graduation rates by 50% and the second was to double the number of high school graduates entering post-secondary institutions.

**Adams:** Can you raise up the mic?

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**Ladd:** Yeah. The reason for this focus is simple and I wanted to share compelling data. One in two inmates that are incarcerated are high school dropouts. We know that students that drop out of school earn on average about \$16,000 a year. If they earned an associate's degree, that increases to about \$38,000 a year. So having a college degree matters and we know that if we were to increase by just 1%, the people overall that earn a college degree, or some form of post-secondary degree, we stand to yield \$6.1 million in revenue for our region. There's compelling reasons to focus on these goals. The cabinet is made up of people from the community. Parent organization, the faith community, government, higher ed and, of course, the k-12 schools and met quarterly and advised by a strategy team as well as the Multnomah youth commission. The summer youth connect improving youth access to jobs and college opportunities over the summertime. Our future connect strategy, about getting kids into post-secondary and includes our future connect scholarship. And one was improving our -- leverages opportunities for young people at high schools and the community connect is focused on building community support for young people and giving them an caring adult knowledgeable and can help them succeed. The outcome, we've had a lot outcomes over the last two years. The ones I wanted to highlight for you, forging about 100 partnerships with private organizations to provide summer opportunities for young people. And increasing our partnerships with colleges and cbos to provide opportunities for students. We were able to expand parent outreach to east Portland and help the ccps folks expand their conference focused on high school dropouts and getting kids graduating from college to more youth from disadvantaged communities and able to improve some policies as they relate to high school age students and did a inventory to figure out where are we spending our resources as it relates to dropout prevention and how can we leverage better support and map where the youth are and work with the bureau of planning to focus on where the youth are and where the resources are to drill down on where the disparities are so we can target resources to the areas that need them most. So i'm going to leave at that note and turn it over. We're at a place where we have done good work but we know that the continuum of support is something that needs to occur from the moment students are born, essentially, and onward and so we're going to talk about how this work is transitioning into a cradle to career framework.

**Carole Smith:** Mayor Adams, commissioner, i'm carole smith, superintendent of Portland public schools but representing the other school districts that serve the city of Portland and i'm here to say how excited we are serving Portland's kids about the cradle to career framework and before I get into what I believe the impact is, I want it say thank you to mayor Adams and commissioner jeff cogen for the leadership in convening of the education cabinet and the work that the cabinet did to make visible the brutal truth, i'm going to say brutal truth about the state of the graduation rates for our city. And it's been effective as an organizational effort to make visible and start to act. I also want it thank our leaders' roundtable who have convened city leaders, elected officials and the district superintendents over the last 25 years around youth success initiatives and these have been pivotal in bringing together the cradle to career framework and Portland state who did a lot of research and underpinnings for the efforts coming forward and finally, Portland schools foundation, a great partner to Portland public schools is working to expand and playing the lead role in operationalizing cradle to career. Portland schools foundation also was the champion of connected by 25 and ninth grade counts initiative. I think it's a key initiative we've taken on as a city to point to, a moment in time, so ninth grade, where we believe looking at our data, extrudes struggle. And if we target interventions at ninth grade and students are successful in ninth grade and start 10th grade on track credit wise, they're more likely to graduate. In terms of how we're supporting students in ninth grade and galvanize county and city and local non-profits to focus our efforts at that moment where we can see collective impacts on our ability to improve the success for students and that's a great example what we're looking for with the cradle to career framework. With what we're doing as service providers from the time a young person is born until they enter the

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workforce. So cradle to career. And particularly in a moment of declining resource what we've -- declining resource and I think this framework is what it's going to do for us. I'm hopeful and we're excited and thank you for your leader in making it happen.

**Adams:** I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you. You're doing fantastic work, superintendent, but as it relates to this and being able to move forward as a county, a county collection of school districts, I want to underscore my thanks for your willingness to bring about a team effort countywide among all of the school districts to allow this kind of work to happen. I've been around a long time and worked a long time with a variety of different people on this issue and your superintendency by far is the most collaborative with other districts.

**Smith:** Thank you for that. We enjoyed the collaboration as school district leaders and we intend to continue beyond our individual superintendencies. As we have turnover, the structures we've been building is strong and the collaboration continues. We're excited about that.

**Adams:** Mr. Scott.

**Bill Scott:** Hi, I'm Bill Scott, here before you as the chair of the leaders' roundtable. It's been around since the early 1980s when it was founded by Mayor Bud Clark and the county and Portland school district and Roger Beasley was then CEO of U.S. Bank on behalf of the then Chamber of Commerce, now Portland Business Alliance. To focus on the leaders of the city and subsequently, the county as we expanded our vision on the challenges of having all of our children grow up to be productive self-sufficient citizens with good educations. The roundtable over that whole time, I think has built a network of relationships and common vision for how we see things and what the problems are and what the solutions are. That has allowed a lot of other things to happen. But most of us who have been involved -- and I've been involved pretty much that whole time -- have always been frustrated that we couldn't find a way to implement and get more action going on a more concerted, you know, basis on an -- in an ongoing way. And in the last couple years, things have come together in a way that I think makes that possible for the first time, which is a dream for a lot of us. The catalyst for the cradle to career, per se, was really Portland State University and President and the -- serving urban universities began to look at a model created in Cincinnati, called "Strive" that started out as a framework to measure everything going on in the Cincinnati area in terms of outcomes for kids. We picked up on it, through a grant that Portland State had. Kind of engineered. That came to the leaders' roundtable and we worked with Portland State to begin an effort that would build a similar framework for Multnomah County that would show us a set of measurements of how we're doing that would be adopted and used by all the school districts, all the child-serving agencies in the state for both kind of social service, health factors, as well as educational outcomes. There was recently a kickoff at Portland State of the first -- of the first report of that group, cradle to career, and if you haven't read it, I would urge you to do so. It's not the first report we've ever had about how things are going, but I think it's the first one that really had the commitment of all the significant players behind it to join in a single framework for how they're going to do things. From the beginning of that effort, we understood that if we were going to make something out of it, we had to create an implementing mechanism different than what we'd been struggling with for all of these years and in a lot of ways, Mayor Adams and Chair Wheeler, initially shown the way with the Education Cabinet there was a way to get more action going, as well as share and relate and get to know each other so we could do things together. And as a result of prodding, really, from the Mayor, a bunch of us formed a -- started a series of meetings last spring, saying how are we going to do this when we're done, if we just produce the report and don't have something new to make its strategies real and come out somewhere, we won't be -- won't be anywhere. And thank goodness, sometimes the meetings were frustrated but -- were frustrating but resulted in something quite amazing at this point where we have two organizations going out of business and everybody in Multnomah County agreeing on who and how we're going to -- we're going to implement our strategies. The cradle to career is really identified as a framework. It's not

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a new program, it's not a new initiative. The whole point of it is to align all of the stuff we're already doing and set priorities among the stuff we would really like the funders and all the people with resources to get behind so that we can focus in very concentrated fashion on the highest -- the points of highest leverage that can make the biggest difference in the graduation rates and the success of our kids. It's not another meeting. We're actually reducing the number of meetings that everybody goes to and increasing the amount of time they have to make something come out the other end with action. That's really what the idea of cradle to career is. A concerted effort by all the agencies and actors that are -- that are affecting children and families in the county. I think in addition to Portland state and the mayor and the chair and the superintendents, I think some other key actors in the process, particularly, I would single out sandy mcdonough and the Portland business alliance which has made a lot of -- really moved things along and this is an immensely appealing initiative to the business community because it makes sense out of everything that's going on. And I was struck at the Oregon business leadership summit monday where the two things that were highlighted besides the series of initiatives in the job -- you know, media job creation area were a -- immediate -- how important it was to reinvent our service deliver systems in government because we can't afford to keep doing it the way we've been doing and it's exciting that the city of Portland and Multnomah county and all our school districts and our social service agencies have made the commitment to go in a new direction and essentially have all coalesced around a reinvented Portland schools foundation as the single orchestrater, I guess, if you will, or conductor of the orchestra to help focus us on what we're doing and I serve as the co-chair of the sun coordinating council, the sun service system and I think all of the people in our council are very excited because we think our vision of a kind of unified way of delivering service to children and youth can be greatly accelerated because of cradle to career and so I just hope that you will all pay attention and get involved and support mayor Adams in his leadership on an ongoing basis.

**Adams:** Mr. Scott, this would not have happened without your voluminous amount of work. Mr. Scott was on the school board a number of years ago and chief of staff to a previous mayor and other illustrious titles and you're the perfect person to see this through and I want you to know how much we thank you.

**Scott:** Thank you.

**Adams:** We'll hear from the chair of the board of the Portland schools foundation and president and ceo of the foundation, which is undergoing a rebirth, as you've heard. Welcome.

**Sarah Mensah:** Hello, city council. I'm speaking as the immediate past chair of the Portland schools foundation. One of the hats I wear, and i'm here to talk as a business leader in the community that's been very, very concerned and very, very noted the importance of seeing an educated workforce and seeing our kids through to cradle to career. In my position as chief operating officer of the blazers, we've been over the years approached by countless well meaning organizations throughout the city, all having similar concerns on behalf of our kids. All very well meaning and I would say as a business leader it becomes confusing at times to know exactly where resources ought to be placed and we've remark in many of the tables that have been spoken to today, if there could be an collaborative effort where all of those that have these interests could come together, and better focus efforts, better focus resources, better look at similar data, look at similar outcomes, have unified goals, we could accomplish so much more in Portland. What's so special and unique about our community, there are so many constituents, about the private constituents, parents, service providers, our governments we don't lack as I community for caring in this area. And what's wonderful about the number of meetings that bill has alluded to is we also don't lack for energy to collaborate in Portland. And what is unique and special and wonderful about this moment in time, I feel more than ever the community is coming together and coalescing around this issue. Let me speak about the Portland schools foundation. We spent the last two years working as an organization in this -- focusing primarily on Portland public schools district and

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realizing that poverty has moved and an focus specific to Portland alone does not make sense and in order to serve our kids of greatest need we've got to follow where the need is the most greatest which is expanding throughout the entire Multnomah county and even beyond. So our organization spends a lot of time realizing how large of an initiative that is to take on, looking at serving all the kids in all the county but I speak for the board saying there's no other option. Part of what we're done is work on our board makeup because we believe as an organization, in order to continue to keep our eyes on the prize and realize where we are, our board focus and complexity needs to mirror that complexity of the children that are in Portland schools in the greatest need of help and we spent time looking at our overall operation and making sure it's organized in such a way that we're going to be ready to meet the challenge. And dan will speak some more to the Portland schools foundation but we're proud of the work we've done and proud we got to the place of realizing that what needed to happen, there needed to be collaboration. No one organization is going to provide the single sole solution to the issue in education. The only way that this community is going to be successful in addressing this issue and attacking this abysmal graduation rate, if all of us are looking at this problem, are looking at the same data, looking at the same kids, understanding the intervention has really do make a difference and then activating on that and today the Portland schools foundation has been given the nod by the community in a very, very interesting way to take on that -- the work of convening the community around this issue. We appreciate that it is a very, very large challenge. And we appreciate that we won't have it right at the first and we appreciate that the collaboration that has already begun will need to continue, but we're very excited and this is an exciting moment in time for our kids for us to do something special. And then i'll send it to dan.

**Adams:** You were part of the informal group that got together to help design, cajole and charm and prod these changes which to the average citizen might sound modest, but if anyone has tried to merge three organizations and change the scope of gee --o graphic scope of what we collectively feel responsible for, you would know how hard you work.

**Mensah:** Thank you, sam, you are welcome.

**Dan :** Good morning, mayor Adams and commissioners. It's great to be here, it's actually a honor and humbling to be the ceo of an organization that has said yes. I remember when mayor Adams came up to me in a meeting early on, dan, you're ready to take this on, right? And I looked at sarah, we can do this. And that was the early stage of bringing ourselves along internally because we know it's the right thing to do, because Portland needs to play to its strengths and its strengths right now, we have system alignment with its leadership. We have a mayor and county chair on board for this and have been no matter who was in the county chair's position and that's important to remember there's a role we're playing here. It's not about permits, it's about principles and we have superintendents in their role and in their proper lane and coming together to work as a collaborative team and we have university presidents and that's plural. And all of our independent colleges and community colleges are at the table. And that's exciting when you can have all of these strong leaders and have strong permits, or they wouldn't be leadership, coming together to know it's the principle thing to do. To look at system alignment and do something different than we have in the past is a huge undertaking, it's difficult to understand at first. Please know that everybody that's had to listen to presentations on cradle to career scratches their head and wonders what we're really talking about. Know that there's a process of understanding this and knowing that we can't do business as usually. At the gathering on monday at the convention center, that was the theme: We can't do business as usual. That's easy to say but very difficult to do. The kids need adults to actually behave differently, not just saying the same things. Kids are smart and they can see when adults are sincere about their behaviors and we're thrilled there's this alignment in Portland at this time and in Multnomah county to work together to do something that's game-changing. As an organization, i'll be real brief, but we have to do a radical renovation. Our foundation has not

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changed. We've always been about equity. The Portland parents knew 16 years ago, just because their neighborhood had resources, they cared about all of the kids in the district. Because they chose public schools and agreed to reinvest one-third of their moneys in those neighborhood that's don't have the same resources. It's the heart of what makes Portland special. As we move forward with this, it's under that same spirit of equity. We can't continue to fail those kid that's predominantly are of color and poverty that aren't graduating at 60%, which is sobering and embarrassing, but half that number, employee 50% in -- below 50%. Whether it's from the communities of coalition of color and whether it's sponsored by chalkboard for black parents initiative and also looking at the statewide data on the latino community. It has to start early because what we see with the data is that at kindergarten and first grade, they're at least 10-yards behind and the good work of the teachers and principals and the schools can't eliminate that gap and mayor Adams was right to look at the agenda, the platform of lowering the graduation rate has to be a cradle to career program. And you're setting up a great foundation for us. It was important for us as I board and as a staff to continue to deepen the relationships beyond Portland public schools and carole smith deserves a lot of credit because a lot of leaders wouldn't say i'll share this nonprofit that's traditionally just been a partner with us. She has taken a lot of -- it's taken a lot courage and trust for her and shows she's about the kids. I had wanted to acknowledge she was humble in her remarks but it was a testimony when she looked at us and said it's the right thing to do. It didn't just happen today. It happened with working with you as a partner. This has always been a private and public investment. Ninth grade counts, an investment that's private and public is that something that you got behind and after the connected by 25 research cape out we wanted to do something and actually what needed to happen was do something different ands that take the private partners that work with the kids, those who work with the kids after school and on the weekend and summers and get them at the same table with the educators. Everybody is overburdened in the silos. You have to break out and have a conversation about the kid. That's the whole child we talk about. And many of our kids, I don't worry about your children, I know you're all great parents, but the fact is many kids are born into families that don't have that. And if you can't get behind this from a moral imperative, it's an economic irk. We can't continue to have less than 50% of our kids not be career ready. It's one thing to get a high school diploma, but how many of them are actually career ready? It's different than it was years ago. Our manufacturing jobs need the same type of mathematical resources. It's about connecting the dots and as the schools foundation is learning to do something well, it's about setting the table with the right people at that table and having courageous convening and get people there and they get rid of their siloed agenda and figure out what they're doing and sharing it with others so it can have a big impact. Back to ninth grade counts. We keep hearing stories of being at that table has improved the practices of those organizations. We have kids who need investments over the summer. Portland public schools put on a great eighth and ninth grade academy. That goes from june to mid july. Another nonprofit has a step up from open meadow, a program that is a camp that goes from august and they get together to make sure that the calendars are adjusted so the same kid can be engaged in something relevant and rigorous for almost the entire summer. That's game-changing. All it did was for them to notice that their calendars can be adjusted and with the investment of americorps volunteers they can go into the homes of parents that don't have the bandwidth or wherewithal to fill out the forms. Maybe it's a english language issue or just tired because they're working three jobs but many times we don't reach the kids because we don't have the bandwidth to get them to fill out the forms to get them engaged in the summer programs. Let's have the volunteers go through the neighborhood and knock on doors and have conversations with these parents and let them know their kids are going to be safe and have a wonderful and enriching experience if fair involved in the step-up program. I give you a couple you have examples because this is how it it's going it work. Get sincere well-meaning adults doing compelling hard work to be at the same table and listen to each other and figure out how that private

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nonprofit can participate with that pup school system and play to their strengths and do different -- do something different, not business as usual. The state of Oregon is going to be talking about this, i'm excited that in the city of Portland, and Multnomah county, we have an opportunity with this private and public investment to take the lead and provide a pilot project of how we can do business and not as usual, but actually make it game-changing for the kids of the city of Portland. I'm trying to wrap up and not repeat everything that was said already. I'm sitting in front of five curious insightful individuals and if there's any time for questions, I want to make sure you have that. We're excited as an organization, we'll be keeping you informed how our organization, our business plan and our communication plan evolves but know we signed up because we're ready to actualize our mission to make it relevant today in your 2010-2011 and going forward, as any nonprofit, you have to continue to figure out how to be agile and be relevant for what's in the marketplace and we're ready to step up and did that. It's an honor to be here this morning.

**Saltzman:** Great presentation. The allusion to radical renovation, can you elaborate on that? The foundation will be serving all school districts in Multnomah county? That's -- is that the radical renovations or are there others that have happened or coming?

**Dan:** Well, I did say radical renovation.

**Saltzman:** Your word.

**Dan:** I know. You gave it back to me. It's radical to take your geographic scope and expand it and it's radical to say it's time for us to look at a child's life from cradle to career and know we're committed for that entire life cycle. It's radical to say we can't continue to just know it's ok to invest in isolated practices, but how we can come together to make a collective impact and do that, setting up the table and have those conversations.

**Adams:** It's radical common sense.

**Dan:** It's radical common sense.

**Adams:** Which up to this point escaped us but won't any longer.

**Saltzman:** The other thing I was wondering about, the kids in foster care. I mean, they have education rates or graduation rates that pale in comparison to the african american graduation rate and native american graduation rate. Fewer than 3% go on to any kind of higher education. Where, who speaks for them in this process?

**Saltzman:** Talk about the special care and attention that children in foster care need.

**Mensah:** You could say what is radical about this initiative, it will how us to focus on the kids as individuals and know who those kids are. And to be able to follow those kids because you're absolutely right, to think about foster kids. In the past, these kids could have move from one district to another. There could have been successes that started with one particular school district or teacher or counselor and then that student by virtue of what they're going through, has to move to a different district, different teacher, counselor and what happened before is that we lost track of who those children were. And what their particular issues were. And what's radical about what we're doing now, we'll be able to know about every child, be able to have information and be able to follow them as they cross district boundaries and sometimes cross school boundaries and do a better job, as dan indicated before, tracking them down and finding out exactly what partnership will make the most sense for them as they face the challenges they go through. So not just -- not just foster kids but kids that are suffering huge -- you know, poverty issues, homelessness issues and language and special needs issues. All of those -- all of those challenges have a better opportunity to be addressed and not just at that ninth grade transition, which is where we're seeing really great traction now, but at the early stage, prior to entering school, we'll be able to identify and follow them along the continuum and identify where they need service and partner them up to the private organizations already in place to do that.

**Saltzman:** Do you have representation in your group of somebody from Multnomah county department of human services or a group like juvenile rights projects that advocate?

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**Dan:** Yes, and we're building these networks but having these conversations is what matters. Making sure we have -- during the continuum where that's necessary. I know you have the visual in front of you. We'll make on making it more visually appealing and easier to understand. But what i'd like to point out about the visual -- is it just on your screen or this laptop here? Oh, it's up there now. There's academic indicators and student support indicators below ash academic above. And what i'm trying to point out, it's the education leaders that will be -- that -- that top part and the bottom, the private nonprofit workers and organizations and we have our milestone, superintendent smith and the other superintendents in the coin talk about ready to learn -- and in the county ready to learn. Kindergarten, reading, proficiency at third grade. Eighth and ninth transition and career and college ready and others to be determined and each level have key strategy, not tons of strategies, but really drill down, bun or three at each level so we can drill down deep as opposed to scattering our resources elsewhere. I believe it will help public and private investors focus energies on doing a few things really well and which I think usually does -- research indicates and everything will be based on research and evidence-based practices at each level. This is a movement, this movement has a lot of structure.

**Adams:** I would put a punctuation point on that. I and members of committees with the county that among other things, focuses on the issue that you raised. That group includes overlap, but also with the education agenda but has a separate agenda. This will figuratively tie that all together and take time and you're going to be part of it. Good questions. Thank you very much, and dan, thank you for taking on this rebirth. Really, really appreciate it.

**Leonard:** I had a question for carole, if I could.

**Adams:** Yeah, carole smith. Commissioner Leonard has a question for you.

**Leonard:** Thank you, carole, I appreciate the great work you're doing. You stand out. It's wonderful for the school district. How many music programs have we had to eliminate?

**Smith:** We're keeping track of literally trying to have enough periods of music. So we actually look at enrichments and having music enrichments and three periods a week at elementary school at this point and we're struggling to hang on to what we have.

**Leonard:** Is the case -- I was under the impression that some high schools eliminated it.

**Smith:** At high school, we design it as a broad sense as part of our core program and part of what we just did with identifying a threshold number of students at high school level that allows us to offer a core program that we've gone from nine to seven and we've identified music and again, what type of music is going to vary high school to high school. But music as one of the elements of the core program we're working to hang on to.

**Leonard:** So each school has some music?

**Smith:** We're not at implementation yet.

**Adams:** Not enough.

**Smith:** This is one of the things --

**Leonard:** What programs have we had to eliminate that we'd offer beyond music? Shop?

**Smith:** Yes, career technical education. We're at a minimal level of career technical education and working to identify career technical offerings we can have at every one of our campuses and places we go deep, like benson and music, one of the things we'll be doing a concerted effort is trying to have musical instruments available as we try to build music programs back so we'll be working to figure out how we fill that gap and that's a one-time investment that can be made to help us to build capacity to do music.

**Leonard:** I thought we had to eliminate athletics.

**Smith:** We talked about what level of p.e. We would be able to continue to offer with a certified p.e. Instructor and we've identified a minimum threshold at each one of our schools. And i'm going to tell you the outpouring of support for how do we maintain p.e. Is overwhelming. It will be in our conversations this year, I can guarantee you.

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**Leonard:** Thank you.

**Smith:** Thank you, commissioner Leonard.

**Saltzman:** Can I follow up on the p.e.? I've seen how some states are eliminating p.e. For their kids. Fortunately, Oregon wasn't one of them. Do we have p.e. For every child in Portland public schools?

**Smith:** We have a minimum level with certified p.e. Teachers. And actually as part of the proposed bond measure we're putting forward, we're looking at proposing to have outdoor play areas that extend the ability to have activity -- year-round activity. So outdoors, it's a teaching capacity and space designed to accommodate --

**Saltzman:** You said you had adequate --

**Smith:** We don't have adequate -- we don't have adequate anything. I'm going to tell you --

**Adams:** Making do with what you've got.

**Saltzman:** Certified p.e., does that translate into every child having a p.e. Class.

**Smith:** It's p.e. Offering, like periods of the week. Here's what I'll say to you. After whatever -- 15 years of cutting and still cutting, we're working to hang on to a bare minimum of programming for students that is truly how do we schedule periods to make sure kids have access to some kind of art, some kind of p.e. Elective and it's a wonderful thing if we're able to offer a class that's actually offered every day of the week to a student. That doesn't occur in all of our schools. How's that? We don't have adequate anything. And as the governor said at the business summit on Monday, it's like, ok. We may be able to go for stable, but it's stable at a very low threshold. It's not adequate anything. We identified as a state education model but it would take every one of our students to get the outcomes we're looking for and we're so far below the funding --

**Leonard:** What's the spread? What's the difference?

**Smith:** I wish I could whip that out for you. It's a significant gap. We've never come close to funding at a state level and Portland doing a similar thing for our internal, our quality education model, an enormous gap.

**Fritz:** I think 10 years ago, it was \$2 million was the gap.

**Smith:** Significantly underfunding education in the state.

**Adams:** On that happy note, but truthful --

**Smith:** I know, but thank you for the opportunity.

**Saltzman:** I would like to extend my thanks for the hard work you do and the board.

**Adams:** Motion to accept.

**Saltzman:** Moved.

**Fritz:** Second.

**Adams:** Anyone wish to testify on this matter? Sue, please call the vote.

**Leonard:** This is frustrating to listen to because we have people that are true believers in the educational system working as hard as they can to maximize as much as they can of what is on the table but I have to give my own perspective on that and it feels to me we have a group of children who have one apple to split amongst themselves and you can only cut the apple so many ways and you can have a thick piece for a few or very, very skinny pieces are for everyone that doesn't provide the nutrition they need. All of this happening simultaneously, I can't help tie this together to not just local events, but state and national events to what we're hearing today. We have dramatically underfunded education at a time when it appears that the federal government is on the precipice of approving tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans that will amount to \$750 million added to the deficit, if -- if my math is correct and I know Janey, from "the Oregonian" will check, in her political facts, so I tried to rough out my math here. If that amount of cash is \$750 million, which appears to be what's reported, added to the deficit for the tax break for those who make \$250,000 a year or more, if that was divided amongst the 50 states, Oregon would get \$15 million and if Portland school district got 20%, that would be \$3 million and my rough math tells me about 30

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teachers and one has to wonder in a Portland public schools what 30 teachers unleashed to do what isn't being done today could provide. That puts that one small national debate into some context locally for us. But I can't let Oregon off the hook either. It's a little frustrating to me to have read accounts of the recently convened Oregon business summit and again, connecting that with the vociferous -- and meltdown that occurred with them, while we still today, even with the increased revenue we'll receive from tax, if I recall correctly, the legislature is still \$3 billion short in balancing the next budget. It's -- it's very frustrating to hear people articulate, even business leaderships articulate out of one side of their mouth the need to found 196 school districts in Oregon adequately. On the other side, the incoming governor predicts a demise in quality of life across the board for all Oregonians and i'll be bipartisan, the current governor went to the current legislative leadership which is democratic and asked them to put on this last ballot a measure to repeal the kicker, a provision that returns hundreds of millions of dollars to certainly people who don't need it, but working class Oregonians as well who I would argue benefit from a well funded education system and the democratic leadership said this is not the time to do that. You wonder, when is the time for people to not just to what you all are doing, which is excellent work, but it still doesn't provide more apples in the bag, it takes the one apple and trying to slice it different ways and focus the resources to get the biggest bang out of the buck. But my continued frustration having not just observed but also being in the arena in the Oregon senate and Oregon house is the -- it listening to otherwise responsible people continuously talk about how important education is and by this, I don't mean just k-12, but head start is vitally important program for kids and its been demonstrated to be so through countless outside studies. But community college and universities as well are vitally important, particularly for the poorest and particularly for the working -- and particularly for the working class and people who live in this state and on the other side, consistently vote against measures that don't begin to approach education at a level to -- to be funded. We had a summit with the folks who have the means to make that happen, focus on that issue, this is just another frustrating time to listen to us try to deal with what we have. Which is not enough to fund education adequately. So I appreciate the work you're doing, and I hope at some point we can all work together to address the larger issue, which is adequately funding education, not just in Portland on Multnomah county, but in the state and I would say in the united states. We are by all accounts becoming second tier in our educational system, nationally, and we will all pay for that ultimately. Thank you for the work you've done. Aye

**Fritz:** Thanks to Carol Smith for all the work you do. It's a wonderful step forward in its and I -- in itself and I appreciate you coming to talk and thank you for your presentation and your work. I always considered mayor katz the education mayor. She saved us over and over again and it's really no surprise to see mayor Adams continuing her great work and also being the education mayor. And I greatly appreciate the work of you and your team. Kelly lad and all of the staff in your office. It's a important focus, as mentioned. This is about jobs and the economy. It's not just children and families. Although those are certainly very important. Reese lord talked -- worked very hard on getting the trimet bus passes back. And that was on the consent agenda today. My son who is a tutor at marshall high school, his students texted me, are we going to get our bus passes we need to get to school in january? It's hugely significant and the students want to be in school and learn and get to school and the new partnership whereby the city and school district guarantee even if they go away, make sure that the students can get the bus it school. Thank you very much for that. I suggest it should be conception to career. The prenatal care is also important. Taking folic vitamins --

**Adams:** What about flirtation to career?

**Fritz:** No, conception career. We have to realize that some of the students in school are having children themselves and I respect parkrose high school which makes sure there's childcare for their students and that happens in other high schools also. This only scratches the surface of what we've

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covered today and the partnership. Just a week ago, we a presentation about a restorative justice program in parkrose. 262 children, who would have otherwise been suspended or expelled are currently at school because of that program. And we when we have to expel a student, there needs to be a conversation, well, tomorrow you will -- and have an ongoing plan for how we're follow you go up. Although their behavior may have done something that means they can't be at that particular school, they're still a minor student and we need to get them to another program. I hope to be involved in some of that ongoing work. One of the other things i'd like to see -- we mentioned the summer youth connect program. It would be helpful to have a central list of the bureaus and programs offered in the city to help students have summer jobs. I know that fire and water and the parks bureau and planning and council offices offer opportunities for students to have meaningful work during the summer and hope they may want to be city employees in the future and it would be helpful to categorize that. Things like the gun ordinance, people come and say, this isn't it. We know, it's part of it. But part of the whole spectrum and that's hugely important. Finally, I did spend 17 years as a parent in Portland public schools. I group up in Portland public schools. I didn't know how to be a american citizen before that, and I have been in roosevelt and lents and parkrose and david douglas and mac up and wilson and jefferson. Off the top of my head over the last couple years, there's still great work being done in Portland schools, in all of the districts, magnificent students and awesome students dedicated to not only surviving but thriving. So for anyone watching at home, well, there's not enough money, for a start, it was the Portland area voter who is voted in measure 5 and that's one the reasons we don't have enough money and that's a lesson if a ballot measure tells us we'll be held harmless we need to do our homework and how or schools are made whole again is a huge question that faces our state as I whole. If you're a parent in Portland, wondering if you should send your child to kindergarten. Tries it. Every school has wonderful teachers and wonderful communities where students and parents and everybody work together to make things work for more people. So that's in itself, if we boost attendance in our schools, we get more money from the state and that would in itself help to restore programs that commissioner Leonard mentioned. Try it. I'm convinced you'll like it. Aye.

**Fish:** Dan, listening to your testimony and you referenced the beleaguered and tired parents coming home to kids at night and it struck a chord. After a long day I good home and there's two students in my house and I come home tired and they need help and I can't figure out the calculus that my daughter is working on and don't speak the language that my son is now fluent in, it's challenging and I thank god for my partner. My wife is a teacher and can hem them in ways I can't. Now, you know, patty is the first woman on her mother's side of the family to go to high school. So someone believed in her and helped her go to high school, go to a very good high-quality college and get a ph.d. At princeton. The interesting thing, it didn't cost her family any money to get that education but she had people around her pushing her in that direction. It started with her mother, who was an immigrant from spain who understood her children had to get a good education to get ahead and the from your of people who encouraged and help her find her way to mount holyoke and ultimately a job at Portland, teaching at psu. As I community, we're trying to create systems so that every patty has the same opportunity. Because my wife came from absolutely nothing in terms of financial resources. But, you know, because people supported her and believed in her, she got her ph.d. And pursued the career of her choice and I complement the mayor for the leadership role he's played and the movement around alignment is not limited to education. In a zero sum game, we have to spend the money more wisely. We're doing it in housing and criminal justice and it doesn't work without a high level of cab accumulation between the voters and the city -- the next best thing, we have to work effectively together. Thank you for the work you do, all of you who testified and mayor Adams, for your leadership. I want to comment on something that randy said, I was struck by the fact that -- and anna griffin put an exclamation mark on it, in today's "the Oregonian." a familiar litany of asks, going forward to jumpstart the economy. Some we're working on, like shovel ready

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dirt and others like reducing the capital gains tax. Which another dead end debate on taxes and other things we can do to make our economy work better and put people to work and generate nor resources. But I too felt what was missing was a fundamental understanding that education is the pathway to prosperity and rather than talk about cuts in taxes or other things which invariably become divisive in this state, we ought to all rally, including the business community, in investing in education and i'm hopeful that the business community will rally around, carole, your efforts this spring to pass a bond measure and if you choose, renew a levy and unless we do its as randy pointed out and he worked in salem and knows the challenge, unless we do it, it's not going to happen through salem and we're discouraged by \$5.4 billion for education and that results in significant cuts in all of the districts in Portland and that's not acceptable. And finally, something that a number of you folks taught me a long time ago, people don't want to invest in failure. they want to invest in succession. Stopped talking about talking about education as a doomsday scenario. It's about investing in kids. People are free to frame these channels as they will, but we're not going to buy into a death spiral. We're going to buy into the other way, which is coming together, making the investments, supporting our children and then having those children get great jobs and fulfill their highest aspirations, maid, thank you for your leadership and -- mayor Adams, thank you for your leadership and i'm pleased to join with my colleagues in adopting this report. Aye.

**Saltzman:** I want to thank mayor Adams and chair cogen and those who worked hard on this report and the hopeful steps forward. I think that some of the issues I was raising in my questioning are ones that I think about quite a bit. And that is, those children who have experienced trauma in their lives. Whether it's abuse, whether it's being yanked from their family and placed in the custody of the state and then perhaps moving through other foster placements or all other sorts of trauma. It doesn't take much to traumatize a young person. The key is how resilient that individual is or has the ability to become. Many are resilient but many aren't and the trauma stays and has impacts on a child's ability to succeed and that's why it's important that we also make sure that the needs of foster kids, although they're not the only kid that's experience trauma, but those needs and given the statistics around their abysmal graduation rates or college rates, we need to work better and do better by them and I hope that book part of this and I know the -- become part of this and I know we have a children's levy that invests \$12 million a year in proven programs to increase the number of head start kids and increase after-school programs and some of which include p.e.-related activities and -- and also to do mentoring and as was recently adopted by voters in 2008, a new thrust, which is investments will help children in foster care succeed and there's a lot work to be done and I hope this group will engage in those efforts and certainly the children's levy will work with you to make sure that our investments are contributing to the cradle to grave -- cradle to career, excuse me initiative before us. And my final comment, I think picking up on some of the comments of my colleagues, I do get out and visit schools and am amazed, no matter what's going on in the world of salem or in the world of, you know, woe is us about education, i'm constantly impressed with the quality of the teachers and the administrators in those schools and their spirit and the significant number of parents who are doing one thing or another. And it's uplifting to get out and spend time in a school and see these dedicated people. That's why I do it, to thank them for the job they do. There's a lot of good things going on in the schools in Portland. Thank you. Aye.

**Adams:** First I want to says this education city council. And this city council has made investments, doubled its investments in connected by 25, has approved investment of a great education team in the mayor's office. I want to thank kali ladd who is director of education for the mayor and others who are part of the team who have produced amazing results on a timeline of 24 months, working in partnership with anyone and everybody that can be of help to the cause. My work in this area is because it's important for the city. My work is also from a personal experience. Come from a smart, hardworking family, but my mom dropped out of high school. Four kids in my family, two dropped out of high school. And I was able to see that the -- live, the personal

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experience behind the statistics. As being part of that in my upbringing. And there are a lot of hard-working smart folks out there that simply for a variety of reasons don't make it through to high school. I'm lucky my mom and my siblings went on to graduate from high school and -- and my mom went on to get a master's degree in architecture and my brother graduated from the university of Washington. But the human toll of the dropout is immense. So my work in this area is inspired by that and dedicated to the that. And it will continue -- dedicated to that. And it will continue. This is radical common sense and will require all of us to be accountable and by all of us, I mean everyone including the kids, including the students and parents. And it is exciting to be part of a collection of cities in the united states that is at the forefront of this kind of innovation. Hard to understanding, maybe, innovation, but important, it is the only way forward with or without more money. So my thanks to everyone and we have a lot more work to do. We sort of dug out a place for the foundation and now we'll good to work building and rebuilding this continuum. Which I kind of like, commissioner, inspired by your testimony, sort of flirtation, initial flirtation to the grave. [laughter] by the way -- I know. By the way, the cradle to career is a working title for the project and that is not the final title for the project. Aye. Thank you all. [gavel pounded] all right. Can you please read the title for resolution item number -- time certain item number 1588.

**Item 1588.**

**Adams:** The number one goal of the city is to make sure we are safe and peaceful. And not only does the federal government require us to come forward with a risk reduction strategy that identifies natural hazards, so we're making the -- making the different distinction between natural hazards and human-made hazards, we face and determine actions that will lower their impact on the city. This title, which is Portland's natural hazard risk reduction strategy, is also known as the 2010 natural hazard mitigation plan. Both titles are hard to understand, but we thought the first title, the risk -- the natural hazard risk reduction strategy was a little more decipherable than the natural hazard mitigation plan. But requires us to look at where we have the most vulnerability for natural hazards, natural disasters of various magnitudes and do everything we can upfront to prevent them. Some are more preventable than others of earthquake,s, not to preventable. Fires on the bluff, more preventable. And be prepared if we're unfortunate to be subject to sun a hazard to prepare now how to respond to them. Both in the immediate-terms and longer terms. Really appreciate the group of folks in front of us and carmen, are you going to lead us off?

**Carmen Merlo, Director, Office of Emergency Management:** I'm pleased to bring forward for council's approval the 2010 natural hazard risk reduction strategy. It's a five-year update of the 2005 plan and enables our continued participation in the national flood prevention program and brought in dollars for natural hazard reduction projects throughout the city. This has been a collaborative multi-bureau effort and I want to acknowledge the assistance of several bureaus. The water bureau, transportation, parks, bureau of environmental services, bureau of development services and bureau of planning and sustainability. Why is natural hazard mitigation important? First of all, because natural hazards are increasing in frequency, severity and length. But more importantly, whether it's because of floods, earthquakes or as we saw yesterday, tornadoes, natural hazards cause loss of lives, damage to property, irreparable harm to the environment and threats to public health and the economy. The good news is that these consequences can be lessened by taking effective strategies to lower our vulnerability to those natural hazards. The same way we can influence the health, safety, economic vitality and sustainability of the city through things such as land use planning, zone, transportation planning, stormwater management and building codes, etc., we can build disaster resilient cities. The natural -- resilient cities. It connects and complements the work of other city bureaus as part the city's effort to build a livable and sustainable and healthy city. If we continue to link it with broader community outcomes as part of the Portland plan, we're also investing in disaster resilient communities. And as we think of emergency preparedness as a series of small steps can increase our preparedness for various natural hazards, the same is true with

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disaster resiliency. We look at it as a series of small steps that we can take now, that can lessen our vulnerability to tomorrow's hazards. So for 2010 we're focusing on the 8 natural hazards that are most likely to impact the city of Portland and those include earthquake, flooding, landslide, wild land urban interface fire, erosion, invasive plant species, and severe weather. We're considering this part phase one, and to talk to you about phase two is Patty Rueter.

**Patty Rueter, Planning Manager, Office of Emergency Management:** Hi, I'm Patty Rueter, Planning Manager for POEM. With respect for the citizens of Portland and to answer the questions posed by council before this presentation, I am addressing the public involvement process for our risk reduction strategy. There are many who do not understand their role in disaster risk reduction. Commissioners, with your help and your direction, we can get the correct bureaus and community members involved. Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and participation in naming agencies that should be participating. This is a living document, a list of recommendations. It is not law nor is it finished. As a living document, it will continue to grow and become greater the more energy we put into it. What we present today is the first phase. This part is about research, verification of facts, and bureau resource review. This is an update of the 2004 plan. We consulted bureaus, scientific research. This time we had the beginning of the review online and had the 2004 plan online for the public to review and provide comment on. But our commitment to public involvement is more than committee work and asking for review. We are proud of our first phase document and now will move forward to make sure that the right bureaus and community members are involved and that the public knows exactly what the city can allocate resources to. We did not want to go forward promising the public what we could not deliver. We planned to take the plan, the strategy, to neighborhood coalition boundary areas and invite community organizations, diverse community organizations, schools and existing projects currently existing in the coalition area. At these gatherings, we will talk about the hazards they face, the resources they have in their areas, such as hospitals, clinics, grocery stores, fire stations. And the project that the community is already working on such as planting trees or invasive plant species eradication. And we will talk about how those current activities also reduce hazards. We will ask them to identify risk reduction projects that they can work on, even ask them to make proposals for funding those projects. Our goal is to have a community risk reduction strategy that will become a part of the 2010 community risk reduction strategy that will help -- will include community decision makers and actual on the ground participatory projects. I cannot give you details about these projects, because that's a decision of the public involvement process. They are going to come together. They are going to review the plan. They are going to make some decisions. And they are going to put things forward. I'm proud of this plan because of its progressive thinking and linkages to other plans. The city is beginning to realize everyone has a part of the emergency management system. Some bureaus respond to fire -- respond to emergencies like fire, police, water, and transportation. Some bureaus make sure our government continues to operate in disaster, such as management of finance, risk, parks, and recreation, planning and sustainability. And many bureaus have identified that they can lower the impact of emergencies by being proactive, saving money, our liveability, and the time it will take to bring ourselves back to normal. Again, with your guidance and direction, we hope more bureaus and community members will join us in creating a safer city. Today we have testimony from our different bureaus that have participated and benefited from being a part of the mitigation plan, the risk reduction plan, and to start off roberta jortner will be talking about the bureau of planning and sustainability.

**Adams:** Some clarifying questions. The force today is the baseline for what you're also calling for additional work. That is correct?

**Merlo:** Correct, mayor.

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**Adams:** And that the additional work needs to include even more outreaching connection to bureaus, to other agencies outside the city which have responsibility inside the boundaries of the city and then to citizens themselves.

**Merlo:** Correct, mayor. And item 1607 specifically addresses that issue. We're applying for federal grant funds to continue to do the public involvement process as well as me internally as well as other city bureaus.

**Adams:** And when would we return to city council having gone through the next phase that would involve more direct public involvement and more outreach to agency partners?

**Merlo:** We would anticipate an annual update to council before the final adoption at the next five-year plan update.

**Adams:** So you'll get back to us on an annual basis to show progress.

**Merlo:** Correct.

**Saltzman:** This is a baseline document, sort of the conditions of Portland.

**Adams:** Correct.

**Merlo:** Yes, commissioner.

**Fritz:** I need some clarification, because the title of the resolution says accept but the content says adopt, so i'm wondering about adoptions such as the one I sent you overnight. How do we get this document amended?

**Merlo:** We can certainly amend the document at anytime. We've had to forward the existing draft to both the state office of emergency management and the federal emergency management agencies for their review of the plan. Those approvals of taking place concurrently. If we don't meet the minimum federal requirements by fema we can't have any further progress on this plan.

**Fritz:** So I have to vote for this. Otherwise it doesn't pass. And so I really don't like having this last-minute not being able to make amendments on something that i'm actually adopts rather than accepting. So are you making the amendments that I made? Do you have an amendment list?

**Merlo:** We will create one -- right. We haven't responded to all the questions that you posed in your e-mail. We're working on that today. We certainly hope to have a list of all amendments we're going to make to the plan available no later than the end of the week.

**Adams:** So we could, if we wanted to be responsive to commissioner Fritz, hear this tomorrow. We could take whatever testimony there is today, have all that happen and then be here again tomorrow.

**Fritz:** I would greatly appreciate that.

**Merlo:** Thank you.

**Leonard:** Can we get a copy of what you're proposing? I would like to know what you're proposing.

**Fritz:** It's mostly adding bureaus that weren't consulted.

**Leonard:** I'd like to see a copy of it.

**Adams:** Do you mind if we distribute it?

**Fritz:** Oh, no. I'll send it to everybody. I was getting feedback from the staff first.

**Adams:** So we'll proceed with the presentation, take whatever testimony there is today, and then we'll hold it over for a vote until tomorrow after the 3:00. [Clerk note: date/time later corrected to Wednesday, December 15, after 2:00 time certain.]

**Fritz:** As a further clarification, on 1607, the \$26,000 that is proposed isn't nearly enough to do a public process. Given that is the maximum we can apply for, i'd like to adopt that ordinance allowing application for the grant and allow carmen as director of the Portland office of emergency management ask amalia as director of the office of neighborhood involvement to decide how that would be divided up in the scope of work. I appreciate the sentiment to have some money for action items. When it turns out that the action item is \$50 per neighborhood, that's really not much that a citizen can do. We'll have to figure out how to maximize the use of that money and get some

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agreement with our community partners as to whether they want to participate before we nail down the scope of work.

**Merlo:** We will do so, commissioner. Absolutely.

**Adams:** Go ahead.

**Roberta Jortner, City Planner, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability:** My name is roberta jortner for the bureau of planning and sustainability. As noted in the letter of december 14th from director susan anderson, the bureau of planning and sustainability supports the resolution both as an active participant in the planning process and as an implementing partner. Specific live the 2010 plan calls on integrating opportunities into city policy and through the Portland plan and through the upcoming comprehensive plan updates. To date, the bureau has compiled expensive natural hazard information to integrate with the buildable plant inventory process currently under way. As the Portland plan moves into evaluating alternative growth scenarios and other policy decisions, this plan will help inform how the city prioritizes where and how development takes place, infrastructure, investments, and protection and management of areas prone to landslides, wildfire, fire and flooding. And we know these are issues of concern to neighborhoods today, so we will be integrating that into the Portland planned public process as well. While there's no separate climate change hazard in the plan, the mitigation actions in the plan will improve the city's resiliency, including the inevitable changes in the plan for precipitation and humidity, stream flow patterns, and the ranges of invasive plants and animals. As carmen mentioned, there's been additional hazard included in this plan. The hazard related to invasive plant species and this plan will reinforce the code improvements that bureau of plan can and sustainability brought to council earlier this year along with amendments to the Portland plant list and bolsters the upcoming citywide tree proposal to restrict the planting of nuisance and invasive trees on city property and rights of way. The citywide tree project, coming to you in early february, will also address other actions in the plan, including the tree printing and environmental resource areas also prone to urban wildfire, and this is an action strongly supported by Portland fire and rescue. Finally your approval will provide the city with continued access to critical funding for projects that will reduce public health and safety, risks to Portlanders both in the long-term and in the short-term. And that's a good thing.

**Adams:** Thank you.

**Mary Ellen Collentine, Principal Engineer, Water Bureau:** Good morning, mayor Adams and commissioners. My name is mary ellen collentine and i'm a principal engineer with Portland water bureau. Amongst my duties I have the merge american management program for Portland water. I'm here today to speak in support of the resolution accepting Portland's natural hazard risk reduction strategy. Portland water bureau was an active participant in development of the earlier plan five years ago and in the 2010 update. The 2010 plan builds on the earlier plan, take as holistic report. Each bureau that participated brought a perspective to the table but the collaboration has reduced risks to the unified approach. I want to commend the parties coming to the table to complete the plan. I understand that collaboration will continue after this plan is accepted, including the public outreach portion. The plan contain several recommended actions. One was in the daily journal of commerce today. There's a report on the vidar imaging that's been going on. Those images, along with enhanced geographic information systems, will show enhanced areas where landslide hazards are -- where infrastructure is vulnerable to landslide hazards within Portland, and we've also done some of this work up in our watershed to also look at those hazards. Additionally there is recommendations to partner with utilities to reinforce or strengthen power to the columbia south shore well field, recommendations that we intend to go forward with to update our master plan and our system vulnerability assessments, assess vulnerability of the water system to seismic hazard and mitigate the water system against landslide and seismic hazards. We also have in the plan to bury conduit under the sandy river. We just finished a major project, which is in

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the last phases of finishing a major project to bury conduits 2 and 4 in a tunnel under the sandy and still have conduit 3 to go and to upgrade the main water supply conduits.

**Fritz:** May I interrupt there? Because I didn't understand that, and I appreciate carmen letting me know about that, and congratulations to commissioner Leonard. We're talking about putting the conduit buried underneath, like way down, not just putting the pipe in the river, and it's crossing the sandy?

**Collentine:** It's crossing the sandy river about 100 feet deep in a tunnel.

**Fritz:** Perpendicular to the river to get underneath it rather than putting it down the river?

**Collentine:** Yes.

**Fritz:** I was concerned we're not making the same mistake with putting the sewers in rivers. Thank you.

**Collentine:** You're welcome. So I wanted to talk about the last item, the conduit trestle projects that have happened with Portland water, in our system vulnerability assessment, we identified the conduit coming out of the bull run watershed on the trestles as being vulnerable to several hazards. These included landslides, flooding or quakes and human impacts. This information was incorporated into the 2005 hazard mitigation plan. Because of the inclusion of these projects in the plan, the water bureau was able to obtain a \$3 million pre-disaster mitigation grant from fema, so this was used to harden conduit crossings at areas known as sesters and diacs. That grant paid for three-quarters of the project. So this project helped ensure that we continue to deliver water into town and mitigate against potential natural hazards. So these projects, along with other projects like the sandy river crossing project, will greatly increase the reliability of Portland's water supply. In closing, I request that council accept or approve the resolution. I'm not sure which language your using today. I accept the natural hazard risk reduction strategy so that the city can continue to work together to reduce vulnerabilities to natural hazards and obtain federal funding for projects in the future such as we did with the conduit trestle project.

**Fritz:** So perhaps one way to resolve the adopt to accept, would be to add a second, be it further resolve, saying something like, the plan will be amended after appropriate public process has been conducted. That way it clear that we don't think it is a final document.

**Collentine:** Absolutely commissioner, we will do that.

**Rueter:** I'd like to invite up fire and parks bureau to talk about what their projects have been.

**Adams:** Thank you for waiting gentleman.

**Dave McAllister, City Nature Manager, Portland Parks and Recreation:** Perhaps I'll go first, because I'm going to be short here. Mayor Adams, members of the council, I'm Dave McAllister, Portland Parks and Recreation. Portland parks and Recreation strongly supports council. And I'm using the word adoption of the 2010 natural hazard mitigation plan. I wanted to mention that the recognition in the 2004 plan of wildfire as a natural hazard in our urban wild land interface allowed the city to secure a fema grant of over a million dollars. An inner bureau effort by fire, bureau of environmental services, parks, and a number of other bureaus, used the fema grant funding to raise public awareness and education of wildfire in the city. We used it to refine our processes and procedures in handling wildfire and to implement fuel reduction and invasive species eradication projects in three important areas of the city. Powell butte, the willamette escarpment, and forest park. And it is now a catalyst in developing a soon to be released county community wildfire protection plan that will allow the city to leverage additional grant funding. So parks considers the 2004 action items and updates in our 2010 plan as continued manufacture, of our system of parks, green spaces, and our urban forest. It's a valuable foundation document in our management system, and we recognize that and hope for its adoption. Thank you.

**Dick Haney, Assistant Fire Marshall, Fire Bureau:** Good morning. I'm dick haney, one of your assistant fire marshals. And I was the chairman of the committee that put the wildfire portion of this together back in 2004. I just want to talk to you about the importance and the synergy of these

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plans. It's not just something that sits on a shelf. We've actually made some really good movement citywide when it comes to wildfire mitigation. I know, when I was headed for my first meeting, I was warned by my other in-house people that have been involved with interface fire mitigation efforts in the fire bureau saying that you're going to get stonewalled by the other groups and bureaus that have a convergent view of the ecological sustainability trumping wildfire protection, but the synergy is that when you get everybody together in a room, everybody is concerned about the safety of residents in Portland, and there are common grounds that can be found. That is what was exciting about this, and we made strong partnerships. One of them is between parks and fire. One of the things that has grown out of this is that we -- even after the grant, I know we will still be partnering with prescribed burns. Roberta who talked from planning and sustainability, she's been a strong partner. We work together to allow some wildfire mitigation pruning in the current title 33, and she's contacted me during the inception and writing of the title 11, the city forest title.

**Adams:** Any other invited testimony? Is there anyone who wishes to testify on item 58? Then we're going to actually -- I was mistaken. There is no council tomorrow, so we're going to hold this over until after the 3:00 p.m. Today. I was told there's no council.

**Parsons:** There's a work session tomorrow but not a regular council meeting.

**Adams:** So we will continue this hearing until after the conclusion of the hearing on 1642.

**Rueter:** Thank you.

**Adams:** That gets us to the regular agenda. Before we do that, we have a special presentation. Unless there are objections, i'd like to move up -- could you please read, sue, item number 1640?

**Item 1640.**

**Fish:** Thank you for the courtesy of moving this up. We appreciate your consideration, and we are delighted today to welcome a panel that includes the director of the v.a. Hospital. We know his time is very dear, so we appreciate the courtesy extended to our bureau. Mayor and colleagues, i'm pleased to introduce this item that mark as milestone in the block 49 project, the so-called affordable housing development in south waterfront. Today we are officially asking the council to approve a development and disposition agreement or dda for the block 49 project. Under this dda, we will convey the property to our designated nonprofit developer, reach a community development corporation, and provide for financing. In taking this action today, we will be fulfilling a promise long overdue to deliver affordable housing in south waterfront. We believe this project is an example of the triple dividend that can be achieved through this type of investment. First of course is after affordability. The project will contain housing affordable to people of very modest earnings, including 42 veterans who will pay not more than 30% of their income for their homes. Second, services. The project will be owned and operated by reach cdc, a trusted partner with the city with over 25 years of experience in developing projects of this kind. Reach will provide supportive services and quality management of the project. I'm also pleased to announce that -- I know to end relocate their project, bringing 50 wage jobs to that community, people going to the restaurant and using services, and they will purchase the commercial space for their new headquarters. This project is well designed, looks great, and will be rated leed silver, which will be providing cost savings and energy efficiency for the next generation. Today would not have been possible without an action taken in the fall of 2008, and that was when mayor Adams and I announced that we intended to identify both halves of the house here in the city, both halves of the team that provide housing services. And by that of course we meant to bring the talent over to create the new housing bureau. In the past two years, we not only successfully launched a new bureau but fired a dynamic new director in margaret van vleet, who's here today. We will be coming back this afternoon seeking your approval of a new commission which will be advising us and holding our feet to the fire going forward. This is technically the first major development that has been presented to margaret. And like many of the things she inherited contained its fair share of challenges, not the least of which is that the worst recession in our lifetime occurred, making

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financing very difficult. If you doubt that, count the number of cranes in the air in downtown Portland. In addition, a rising tide of need with diminished resources, I would also be remiss if I didn't thank my council colleagues for their continued commitment to funding housing and the safety net during tough times. This project, like the resource access center, came to Margaret and was shaped, and I believe we can say today is a better project with a stronger financial pro forma and a better operating plan going forward, which means, for the people we serve, great news. With your support today, we will be moving forward to a groundbreaking this spring and a ribbon cutting next fall. I want to thank Jacob Fox and John Warner, Barbara Shaw, and the whole team at the Portland Housing Bureau for their great work, but it starts with our director, Margaret Van Vleet. Margaret, thank you, and I'm going to turn it over to you.

**Margaret Van Vleet, Director, Portland Housing Bureau:** Thank you, Commissioner Fish. Mayor Adams and Commissioners, I'm Margaret Van Vleet, the director of the Housing Bureau. This is a big day for us at the Housing Bureau, and I think everybody knows that Block 49, Affordable and Veterans' Housing Project, has really been a long time in coming to the South Front neighborhood and to our city generally, and I really couldn't be more pleased to be here today to take this important step. As Commissioner Fish mentioned, the action you're taking enables me with the assistance of our city attorney to execute this development and disposition agreement which effectively spells out that Reach will be our developer and that we are prepared to lend considerable funds for the project out of the tax increment financing affordable set aside. Other private financing arrangements do need to be put in place more securely, but we're on a very good path to be able to do this and expect to close financing in the spring. Now, our TIF investment, I'm personally happy to be working with Reach. Reach emerged on top of a very strong list of developers because of its record of delivering affordable housing opportunities in Portland and long being a part they were and ally of the city. I should say that the transition from the original development team, Williams and Dane, has been smooth. All of us were in agreement that development and ownership by a nonprofit made good sense. The project will utilize bond financing and tax credit equity resulting from the allocation by the state of Oregon of what's known as 4% low-income housing tax credits. With \$30 million financing from our TIF portion from the set-aside. Partnerships are key. In this case, they are doubly important, and the Housing Authority of Portland, the V.A., of course Reach, and also Walsh Construction, the Portland Development Commission, and inside the city our own office of Management and Finance. We've had tremendous help getting to this point. We want to have Dee and the doctor talk more about this, but we want to house veterans at this project because of the huge need and the location, and I need to say that our local V.A. has been terrific in stepping up to help us make this work. I should save the board still does need to consider a very specific jurisdictional request for the allocation of those vouchers. The project does have many green features which I'll let the other members of my team describe a little bit more. We will achieve a LEED Silver rating on this project. It will be several more years before additional tax increment is generated that we can deliver more affordable housing in this neighborhood, but this is a great down payment with 209 units against the original vision of 800 units. The other thing I want to point out is that Walsh Construction will serve as the general contractor and they, along with Anchor Moisan, were collected by the previous development team. Walsh has a very good track record of helping the public policy goals around target business participation and workforce participation, and we have every confidence that this is very good news for everybody. So we look forward to starting construction. Then we'll really celebrate. We'll make sure Council is there to help us do so. At this time, I'd like to introduce Dee Walsh, the director of community development, and she wanted to share her view of this project.

**Dee Walsh:** Good morning to everyone. It's great to see all of you. I wanted to start off just by thanking Commissioner Fish and the Portland Housing Bureau for their leadership in getting this partnership back on track. I've been involved with the waterfront, North Macadam, and watching

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what's going on there for years, and this is really great to see this project moving forward. As Margaret mentioned, we were selected to be the developer/owner after an extensive review process over the summer and fall, and we're very excited to take it on, because we think that it's a perfect project for us. We have experience in developing this type of product and also, because we are financially strong right now even given the current economy, we're still considered bankable, which means that we have a lot of banks and investors. I want to assure you that they're clamoring at the door to work with us, and we're very positive in meeting that April groundbreaking deadline. Block 49 will provide 209 units of affordable housing to households earning less than 50% of the area median income. As was mentioned, 20,000 square feet of grounds for commercial space, which was designed at a time when the commercial retail market was a little bit different than it is today. So we were very pleased. We had been looking for new offices. We will be able to purchase 12,000 square feet of this space and move our staff down there. Right now we're in several locations. We've been looking for new offices in a while. We plan on visiting our current building. By consolidating in one location, especially a location that's on the streetcar and light rail, we'll be helping to reduce our carbon footprint, which is in alignment with our company goals. We're very excited about that. We also plan on providing resident services to the residents in this building in addition to directly managing the property, things like eviction prevention, referral and skill building, so we're really hoping our residents will blend seamlessly with the rest of the community even though they are coming from a different place in their lives. 42 of the apartments, as was mentioned, will be rented to veterans earning less than 30% of the median income, and we really look forward to our partnership with the V.A. Who will be providing services specifically to those residents. Finally, I guess I'd say, while this project has been a long time in coming, we're confident that we've got the right team and experience and lender and investor interest that we're going to get it built. In fact, by starting today, we're actually going to be ending up with better financing than had the project started a couple years ago when the downturn began. So I look forward to your support and to see you all at the ground breaking in April.

**Van Vliet:** And now Dr. David Greaves.

**David Greaves:** I'm the director of the mental health division at the V.A., including the homeless services that we have. Back in June of this year, the V.A. Released its national strategic plan for the next five years, and that reflected the priorities of President Obama and Eric Shinseki, the director of the V.A. A. On top of the list was homelessness in veterans. The documents state that the V.A. Should, quote, marshal the resources of government, business, and the private sector to achieve this goal, unquote. Now, homelessness is a fairly complex issue, as you may know. It's a lot more than just not having a place to live. Many of the folks that we work with struggle with medical, emotional, legal, relationship concerns, and sometimes substance abuse is part of the issue. So simply handing somebody the keys to an apartment isn't necessarily fixing the problem of homelessness. So that's why we at the V.A. Employ several case workers and interventional programs to help veterans overcome the barriers to permanent housing. Now, we're fortunate here in Portland that we have folks in the community, local government, and agencies who recognize the importance of helping people find homes. About a year and a half ago, Commissioner Fish visited us at the hospital, and he brought with him several of the key players in the city's fight against homelessness. It was on that day that we agreed together to redouble our efforts to help with homelessness. We feel like we have many strong partnerships in the community. The proposed plan of Block 49 is going to provide 42 beautiful units for veterans. We're very excited about this. The fact that the building is so close to the V.A. Hospital is pretty neat. It's going to be a nice thing for veterans. Veterans who obtain housing will have access to multiple services, and we look forward to engaging them in helping them get their lives on track. The emergence of this project is nothing short of fantastic for us. We're very excited about this and look forward to ongoing partnership and expect that, for years to come, we'll be able to service veterans, help them with their

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homelessness and help them live the lives that they deserve. We appreciate your consideration of this project. Thank you.

**Van Vliet:** And now I'd like to introduce Jeff Hamilton who will give a brief highlight of the features of the building.

**Jeff Hamilton:** Jeff Hamilton with ankrom moisan architects. This the south waterfront south of gibbs and the location of block 49 is shown at the south end of this new neighborhood. A couple of great things about this site are that it's the south terminus or turnaround of the downtown streetcar that turns around right at the front door of the project. South from downtown or north on macadam, you turn down bancroft, so it's a great site. This is the ground floor of the project. North is to the left. This floor sits over 116 parking spaces that are in the basement. These 50 spaces are shared both by reach in the daytime and then the spaghetti factory at night, so it's a shared use of parking giving them quite a few hours out of the day. Reach will take over the offices on bond and bancroft at the south side of the site as well as those on moody to the west. Bedrooms, one bedrooms, and studios. The courtyard, the whole building faces south, gets some good daylight into the courtyard and central spaces units. This is a view of the northeast corner where the streetcar has just come in and is about to leave on the right side of the view, so you're looking at the common area at the storefront level and the housing above and the brick facade. Streetcar station located right here at lowell. This is lowell taken from the northwest corner looking at the overall building. You see the streetcar power line above. That corner is the retail that will be leased. And this is the south end of the building where the courtyard, which is a green space, spills over the south edge and down to the street level, and there's a rain water collection system that feeds this landscaping. The glass that you see on the right and left are the new outreach offices. Again the south view on bancroft looking at the northeast. This is looking at reach offices in the south end of the building. That's it. Thank you.

**Adams:** It's a very attractive building. Good job.

**Hamilton:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Who were the designers?

**Hamilton:** Mark ordeen, mike klein, emily gabler, all folks on my team. Good group.

**Adams:** Great job. It's a great looking building.

**Fish:** Ankrom moisan has designed a number of attractive buildings in both south water front and the river district.

**Saltzman:** It's a great project. My question is about the silver certification. In the agreement it says the silver certification is subject to financial feasibility of the same, and our city policy regarding tax increment funds requires certified silver leed, period, not subject to financial commitment. So I can either offer an amendment to the development agreement or I can take a statement from both of you that you will meet leed silver. You will be certified as meeting lead n silver, period.

**Van Vliet:** Thank you, commissioner. I'm comfortable with either. I think we're getting ever-more confident about the budget, so we should be in a good position to meet the leed silver.

**Walsh:** We plan on meeting in construction. Sometimes other properties we've developed, we haven't paid for the certification, because it can add to significant cost, but we definitely have the building built to that level.

**Saltzman:** Well, again, there's a city policy that governs and that requires certification.

**Walsh:** Well, then we will do it.

**Saltzman:** You will get certification for leed silver.

**Leonard:** How much does that cost?

**Walsh:** I can't tell you the exact amount, but I know that, when we were looking at doing it for station place, it was around, I want to say, \$80,000 to \$100,000 for the certification itself.

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**Fish:** If I could jump in, we had the same conversation during the final stages of the rack predevelopment work on the resource access center, so we do have city policies, and the development team has made commitments. I think what commissioner Saltzman is pointing out is that the legal version of these things -- you know -- is written one way. As with the resource access center, we made a firm commitment to deliver a leed platinum building. We're making a commitment to delivering a leed silver building here.

**Saltzman:** Certified.

**Fish:** Certified.

**Saltzman:** Thanks.

**Adams:** Thank you all very much. Any other invited speakers?

**Fish:** That's it.

**Adams:** Anyone wish to testify on this matter? It is an emergency. Please call the vote.

**Item 1640 roll.**

**Leonard:** I greatly appreciate the work commissioner Fish has devoted to this and what he has not said that I will, at a minimum, allude to is that, while others may have envisioned this project occurring, it took commissioner Fish to get in and really solve somewhat were fatal flaws in the financing and the number of the other issues inherent in the original proposal to actually have it work. So I have somewhat from afar admired the progression of this project as commissioner Fish has got in and fixed what would have actually prevented this project from actually happening and providing housing for -- I shouldn't say 42 veterans because there may be more veterans that live in each unit, but for the 42 units. It is a testament to this community that we care so much about veterans to have first-rate housing in an area of the city that is going to be one of the most popular areas in years to come. There is an outstanding facility just blocks from there at the foot of the tram that allows people to rehabilitate themselves with weights and pools and hot tubs and certainly veterans that live here, i'm sure, will take advantage of that, but it also includes a facility in that same unit where very young and vigorous people work out as well. It's a great facility where they can hop on the street car and drop themselves off in front of Safeway and do their shopping and then hop back on and ride back. I'm actually talking myself into looking into one of these units as i'm describing it. It's really a greatest thatment to your work, commissioner Fish, and I think you deserve to get a lot of credit for making that happen. It wouldn't have happened without you. Aye.

**Fritz:** This is a project long in the making, long in the desiring. Thanks to reach community development and the v.a. And to our veterans in our community. The gentleman who testified reminded me of how patriotic our veterans have been and how they continue to affect our community. If you look around the chambers today, you'll that's we have new seating reserved for people in wheelchairs and reserved for companion seating, and we'll soon be getting automatic doors in the council chambers thanks to the efforts of Joe Walsh and the work of the facilities and services and my office. So in lots of different ways, we need to not only talk about how much we care about our veterans but prove it, and this does that. And I note that the average cost of the tax abatement is less than \$115,000 per unit for this service, which is so greatly needed and, as I said, was dreamed about when we started thinking about what South Waterfront and Union District would be made up of. It's all kinds of people. Aye.

**Fish:** I want to thank my colleagues for their kind words. Let's step back and acknowledge our fight to end homelessness in our community. We have a great team that's working at a very high level to tackle this problem. As with many of our most pressing problems, our greatest challenge is in the area of resources. If we had unlimited resources, we could solve a lot of problems. There are places where extra dollars do make a difference, and I want to thank the taxpayers of Portland, because the taxpayers of Portland have invested tens of millions of dollars into this fight to end homelessness. In particular, they have made a significant investment in the bricks and mortar side.

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Margaret and I have a deep conviction, and that is the way we're going to solve the problem of the lack of affordable housing is by either preserving existing housing or adding to the inventory of housing. While we have some participants in the market hook help us get there, the reality is, without public investment, we can't do the job. The public has been very generous and has helped us make smart investments in housing. Next year will be a milestone for us. We will break ground and cut the ribbon on the resource access center, which is in another part of town. Both required substantial public investment in order to move forward. But frankly, more than that, both required a fresh look at two projects that, has commissioner Leonard alluded to, would not have happened but for a fundamentally different view of how these projects would go forward. Mayor Adams, the promise that you and I made in the fall of 2008 about the benefits to our community about a new bureau and a new day today I believe was partially fulfilled, because it took a new bureau and a new leader taking a fresh new look at this project and the resource access center to move it forward in the toughest environment we will ever see for building. Frankly, if tom moyer cannot build a tower on the backside of the fox tower, you have to ask how can we help a developer move forward on this, and I think the answer lies largely in the leadership of director van vleet and the team she assembled at the new housing bureau. Some will look at today's story, will look at this hearing and say why did it take so long. I look at it and say that it is moving forward because we have the right team and the right approach. I don't choose to look backward. Margaret and I have only been in charge for a little over two years. There's a lot of history on this site. That's not what we should be focusing. We should be focusing on the fact that we have broken through and are moving forward. For 209 people who make very modest wages and, in some cases, have no income, this will be a safe and decent place to call home in a neighborhood which is really revolving. This is a place that people will choose and want to live, a beautiful building. The last piece of work done that you're familiar with is the admiral apartments which overlooks the director park, which is one of the most successful preservation projects we've done, and it's a beautiful home. I'm always struck when I talk to people downtown who complain about the concentration of low-income folks downtown. If only we had more buildings like that. I have to remind them the most vulnerable people in our community, the oldest, poorest, and most disabled people in our community live in that building, and dee walsh and reach did the renovation and management. It's a fantastic addition to downtown. We have the utmost confidence in dee and in switching from the old development team to the new development team, margaret has been able to gretsch taxpayer dollars. The truth is this was once a workforce housing project with a few veterans thrown in, meeting 50% of the commitment this once made of affordable housing in one project. 50% of what this council committed to. When the schnitzer properly is developed and becomes successful and when the zydell property is developed, we'll have replenishment of the stock which will allow to us move on the next major project to complete our task. This has been extraordinary difficult to get to this day. This is margaret's day. I want to thank her and her team. I want to thank anchor moisan and walsh construction. I want to thank dr. Greaves for taking time out of his schedule. He was very modest in his remarks when he said we met a year and a half to deal with some challenges. We met with major challenges. He did something no other v.a. Hospital in the country has done, and I know that directly from the hud secretary himself. He changed the way they ran their program, and we went from being one of the most challenged programs to being one of the three best in the country, which means more of those vouchers came to us because of the success. We're not done until we have the groundbreaking, but we would not be here without your support. Aye.

**Saltzman:** This is a great project. I want to thank commissioner Fish, director van vleet, and reach creative development. I don't know how it got the same reach, but they constantly aspire tever and greater and larger projects related to affordable housing and services that go with the residents, and so they have a proud, stellar track record, very bankable, which is also helpful, but I think that's

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because of their track record. I want to also commend reach. It's great to be able to in one project meet 50% of the goal of affordable rental housing on south waterfront.

**Fish:** Affordable rental housing.

**Saltzman:** That's a big project. This is a good project, and i'm pleased to support it. Aye.

**Adams:** Well, I want to congratulate commissioner nick Fish for absolutely putting together a team and creating the cementing and creating the partnerships and being incredibly creative in making this project happen. It's a very important project for south waterfront, and it couldn't have happened at a better time. It's also darn good-looking. And to be able to have that all together in one possible package is very remarkable. So congratulations. Really appreciate it. To margaret, dee, and everyone else, i'm thrilled. Thank you. Aye. So approved. That gets to us back on the first item on the regular agenda -- so we're going to -- can you please read the title for item number 1631?

**Item 1631.**

**Adams:** Commission amanda Fritz has asked that we hold this over until later in the day. Chief klum, any thoughts you'd like to share with the room?

**Saltzman:** That's not why you're here?

**Adams:** Any thoughts on this item? Commissioner Fritz, I tried. This is held over until this afternoon. Can you please read the title for nonemergency ordinance 1632? Thanks for waiting. Appreciate your patience.

**Item 1632.**

**Lance Lindahl, Right of Way Agent I, Bureau of Transportation:** Good day. Bureau of transportation right-of-way acquisition section. I'm here today to discuss a street vacation case to vacate a half block approved portion of southwest whitaker street in the south waterfront neighborhood. I'd like to introduce scott cervenak who will talk more about the vacation proposal.

**Adams:** Say your name for the record and your title.

**Scott Cervenak:** Scott cervenak, senior director. I'm going to speak to our project here if I can get this to work. My apologies for the delay.

**Adams:** It's all right.

**Cervenak:** Our project is the vacation of southwest whitaker and southwest moody. Knowledge universe is the parent company to children's creative learning centers. Cclc is the brand that has developed and is operating a child care facility located at 3325 southwest moody. That property location is west of moody, south of gibb street and the tram, and north of whitaker. The first two slides i'm going to show you here very quickly just support the fact that the bureau of transportation does not have plans for whitaker and extending it west of moody. Essentially the section of whitaker that we're proposing vacating is a dead end alley that is roughly 60 feet wide north and south and 100 feet wide east to west. So currently the south waterfront district street plan, dating back to 2009 on this first slide and the second slide denotes the central city district zoning code, neither of which support connectivity of whitaker to macadam. This is an aerial overview of the project and the property owners that are adjacent. The red dotted box denotes the 60-foot by 100-foot area I spoke to. Our neighbors include odot to the northwest, r and h construction to the south, and our building of course is 3325 southwest moody to the north. This is an aerial photograph of the property before we commenced construction. And what this really is meant to denote is again reinforcing that section of whitaker west of moody, essentially used as an alley and storage facility for the property that we renovated and our property neighbors to the south. This is a photograph of the building before we renovated it. It was a purpose-built warehouse built in 1951. It's been fairly lightly used of recent memory. Again, a warehouse facility in fairly rough condition. We completely renovated the facility and brought it up to modern standards and code. This is a photograph of the gibb street right-of-way looking down at the tram just from the north side of our building. Right there is a photograph of the right-of-way itself while it was going under

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construction. You can see in the background there that wall on the west side essentially terminated whitaker and prevented it from flowing through to macadam. This is a photograph of the building today. This is the completed renovation. We opened the facility in november. As you can see, comparing the before and after, we completely changed the fabric of that building, repurposed it o brought the building to current code standards, revitalized the face of the building, put in a new streetscape. To the left side of the building, you can see the right-of-way and what it is today. We converted our portion of the right-of-way into a playground for our children. And that right there is a photograph of the playground today. So the right-of-way on our side of whitaker is a purpose-built play facility for our children. This is a shot inside the building. A portion of that is inside. A portion of that is outside. This is one of the only indoor play facilities of its type in the area. We're very proud of this. Given the weather we have in Oregon, it's awfully nice for children two to four years old to be able to experience a full motor skills opportunity given the weather that we have. So those garage doors that you see there in the background are operable. They actually slide open. We've got skylights in there, 14-foot high ceilings, a sand box, turf, plenty of opportunity for children to have a great time and not get out in the weather the project is licensed for up to 172 children. Again, its features a very unique indoor/outdoor play area we're very proud of. Knowledge universe is a Portland-based company. We have facilities across the united states, and we're very proud of this and its relationship to ohsu. So thank you.

**Adams:** I would rephrase that slightly and you're a fantastic Portland-based company, and this is an amazing facility. I was there for the opening, and the before and after doesn't do it justice. It was a musty old broken-down warehouse, and you turned it into a top of the line education and child care facility.

**Fritz:** Just to be clear, you do have a revocable permit?

**Cervenak:** I did not mention that, but you are correct. Just to be clear, the center is open to the public. It's not just built for ohsu, although given its location, it's a great thing for the ohsu staff up there. It is open to the public, and we do have enrollment opportunities there now. We are open monday through friday, and I believe we are open approximately 6:00 a.m. To 6:30 or 7:00 at night.

**Fritz:** Thank you very much.

**Saltzman:** I want to add my accolades to the project but also to acknowledge universe for being a great company, doing good things for families and children. I was curious, though. Are most of the families who are using your services working on the hill or at the center for health and healing or do you have any sense of where the parents are?

**Cervenak:** I really don't at this time. I can tell you that I toured a lot of families before we finished the facility, and there was a very healthy mix.

**Saltzman:** Ok. Good. Thank you.

**Fish:** I had, mayor, the pleasure of joining one of our guests today and some other folks at knowledge universe recently at a k-8 Portland public school program where they gave every student in the school a backpack and a set of supplies to start the school year off. I believe they've adopted that particular program as well. Thanks for all that you do in our community.

**Cervenak:** Appreciate that.

**Lindahl:** I'd like to make an amendment to the ordinance. Unfortunately the correct legal description was not included in the copies that you received.

**Adams:** so moved.

**Fritz:** Seconded.

**Adams:** roll call on amendment

**Item 1632 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

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**Adams:** Aye. Approved. Moves to a second reading next week. Thank you very much. Please read the title for contract amendment item number 1633. Please introduce yourself and tell us what you're looking at.

**Item 1633**

**Rich Attridge:** I'm a project manager for the stanton project. With the new pump system, the basic -- i'm passing out photos of the project, because I think, in this case, a picture is going to be worth 1000 words. The primary reason for this large change to the three kings contract was that we found contaminated soil once we excavated the tanks to the tune of having to remove 3300 tons of soil or 2700 cubic yards. Of course we had to backfill with 4000 -- approximately 4000 tons or 3000 cubic yards of fuel. Contamination was found about 35 feet deep and concrete slab that we found once we excavated the tanks. It wasn't shown on the previous tank installation.

**Adams:** Under a concrete slab.

**Attridge:** Yes. And unfortunately the contamination went underneath the fuel island where the pumps were, so that created a cascade of problems. We had to take out the canopy system that was there we hadn't planned on and replace that. We found the water separator had been leaking, so that's going to be replaced. We've been working with deq through this whole thing, and they are pleased with our level of effort we're putting into leave no contamination behind as a result of our work on that project. I am going to have a final change order that will be coming up to capture the final cost of the project. We're not done yet. We're estimating completion around january 7th. Funding for this work will come from a combination of funds. One is the complete services fund reserves for the facility services major maintenance account will be the funds that -- accounts that this money comes from.

**Adams:** This is actually to declare a fleet project and facility or a transportation --

**Attridge:** It's city fleet. The kirby garage operating the city fleet, operating the facility behind the kirby garage. It's a major facility for all the city vehicles. And so it's a city fleet project, and they have these two funds that they can use to pay for this.

**Adams:** We have no choice.

**Attridge:** Yes, sir.

**Adams:** Any other council discussion on this? Anyone wish to testify on 1633? Please call the roll.

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. 1633 is approved. Please read the title for emergency ordinance item 1634.

**Item 1634.**

**Connie Johnson, Facilities Project Manager, Office of Management and Finance:** My name is connie johnson. I'm the project manager for omf. Today i'm requesting that you authorize the award of construction contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for the Portland fire and rescue station 18 seismic upgrade and facility remodel project. The goals of this project are to upgrade the facility to essential facility status to provide ada and gender accommodations, and we're also providing a community room for the community. We will be pursuing leed gold certification, and the cost estimate by a professional cost estimator reflects that. We hope to advertise as soon as we get a permit, and we'd like to have the notice to proceed or start construction in april or may and be done in december of 2011.

**Saltzman:** Where is fire station 18?

**Johnson:** It's 8720 southwest 30th. It's sort of between barber and Multnomah boulevard.

**Adams:** Other discussion? All right. This is an emergency. Does anyone wish to testify on 1634? Please call the vote on 1634.

**Item 1634 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** Very happy to [inaudible]. Aye.

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**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Good work. I appreciate the leed gold certification. Aye.

**Adams:** Thank you, commissioner Leonard and the team at the fire bureau and team at facilities. Aye. So approved. Please read the title for procurement report item number 1635.

**Item 1635.**

**Christine Moody, Purchasing Manager, Bureau of Purchases:** Christine moody, procurement services. In may, 2010, city council authorized the use of a cmcg process for the track relocation project. Through this process, an rfp was issued and six responsees received. The responses were evaluated by a seven-person selection committee which included two city staff, two trimet staff, one Portland streetcar board member, and two minority evaluators. Stacy witbeck, inc. Scored 92 points out of a possible 100 points. The city then entered into contract negotiations, and now you have before you the procurement report recommending a contract award for a guaranteed maximum price of \$27,814,675. This project is funded through the federal transit administration and the city's good faith efforts program does not apply to this project. In cooperation with trimet, we were able to supplement the dbe requirement with mwsb conditions. In working through, stacy witbeck has made a firm commitment to have dbe 22% of the overall contract value performed, 15% towards minority and women contractors. Stacy witbeck will meet or exceed the 20% apprenticeship work hours and diversity requirement. At this time i'll turn it over to chris arms to talk about how they got to the guaranteed maximum price.

**Chris Armes, Bureau of Transportation:** Chris armes, bureau of transportation. The guaranteed maximum price was developed through -- was a process where stacy and witbeck went through the plans and built their own independent cost assess many, and we compared that to our design team's cost assessment. We went through a process to reconcile the quantities and cost for each of the items with pbot staff, our design consultants, and stacy and witbeck. We went through a series of meetings over a period of negotiations to develop the guaranteed maximum price. The project is funded through, as christine said, the federal transit administration, and we received the tiger era funds for this project. As part of the project, we will be raising the elevation of the roadway to accommodate the new connection with the light rail bridge and help redevelopment of the major campus in zydell and we will be constructing the new roadway, sidewalk, new sewer and water facilities to help the properties develop.

**Saltzman:** Was this a qualifications-based selection process?

**Moody:** We used a construction manager, general contractor, so we used the request for proposals process where there were criteria evaluated, project approach, firm capabilities, cost.

**Saltzman:** How many respondents were there?

**Moody:** There were six proposals received. One was deemed nonresponsive, was not forwarded on to the evaluation committee. The evaluation committee evaluated five of the proposals.

**Adams:** Anyone wish to testify on 1635? Motion to accept?

**Fritz:** So moved.

**Saltzman:** Seconded.

**Adams:** Moved and seconded to accept the procurement report. Please call the vote.

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** Good work. Aye.

**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Good work. Aye.

**Adams:** This is a significant step forward in a project of citywide significance. This allows for a new ohsu building to move forward. It allows for us to get the federal funding for the light rail. It serves as the bridge head for a new light rail bridge across the willamette. Thanks to each of you. Big thanks to the federal government for stimulus funding. We were one of 20-odd cities that got the tiger grants that are transportation-related grants. This puts a lot of people to work and moves

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for a division of north macadam to the benefit of the entire city. Aye. Please read the next item 1636.

**Item 1636.**

**Keith Witkosky, Portland Development Commission:** i'll go through this fast since you're running late.

**Adams:** Fast is good.

**Witkosky:** No powerpoint then?

**Adams:** No power point.

**Fritz:** You can put it on the website.

**Witkosky:** Sure. The action we're requesting -- keith witkosky, Portland development commission, joined by andy reed also from the Portland development commission. We're asking for authorization for pdc to submit an application to the state to expand our zone. We administer the program on behalf of the city. The expansion calls for four acres kind of to the north to bring in property that is currently leased by reentrac corporation. They are a transactional media company that basically, if you do on demand with certain cable providers or if you purchase media or watch media on the internet or tv, they track that. They bought the nielsen ratings in january, so they do all of those ratings as well. They have their headquarters here with about 230 people. Average wages of about \$65,000. They have 15 offices spread across 11 countries. So they are key international leader in our software industry cluster. What we expect them to be doing with this is applying to the state to use kind of a subset of a program within the enterprise zone called the e-commerce program which allows them to take a patent income tax credit for improvements they make related to electronic commerce. So it's things like software, hardware, server rooms, those kinds of things. They'll also be making a modest, in comparable terms, investment in the facility that will be around probably and million dollars that comes back and equates to about with you hundred thousand dollars in property tax impact, which should be the most significant impact to the city and county. This was approved by the pdc board last week. At that time, representatives from the mayor's office as well as chief cogan came and testified. 230 jobs. They have the opportunity to move to Washington at a significantly decreased lease rate.

**Adams:** We are the beneficiary of a leader of this company who needs to meet a threshold value proposition. What I like about this company is that they need some help, but they are staying in the city, and as keith said they could move elsewhere and see a big savings on their bottom line.

**Fish:** They're publicly traded. Right?

**Witkosky:** Correct.

**Fish:** And you alluded to the fact that they're being courted by the state of Washington. In fact they have a proposal that's very attractive where they would substantially reduce their overhead costs.

**Witkosky:** Correct.

**Fish:** The principal impact is that they would get an income tax credit which would affect state receipts, since income taxes go to the state, but that under the program, the way it works is they get a credit, but they have to agree to make certain investments in upgrading their technology and other capital needs, so the money will be plowed back into making them more viable in their industry cluster. That is correct?

**Witkosky:** Correct.

**Fish:** And finally you alluded to what would be the local impact of our decision if we authorize this, which would be a modest hit to the property taxes we receive of no more than \$100,000. For how many years would that apply?

**Witkosky:** That \$100,000 is across five years, so that's the sum total.

**Fish:** In the aggregate, it would be \$100,000, and that's the most immediate impact to us on the cost side and the benefit to us is preserving 230 family wage jobs in Portland.

**Witkosky:** Yes.

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**Fish:** Thank you.

**Andy Reed, Portland Development Commission:** My name is Andy Reed. In addition to that, the company is intending to higher up to 50 employees, which is connected to this investment. With the enterprise zone, you cannot do the e-commerce tax credit without the enterprise zone abatement. Therefore they're held to the standards of the regular enterprise zone rules, which includes job creation as the main element of that program.

**Fish:** One other question. In light of what we've heard from Salem that all these programs are going to be put and microscope, tax abatements, tax credits, enterprise zones, everything else as they look to close a \$3 billion hole, what's the timetable for Rentrac in order to be eligible for the program regardless of what the legislature does?

**Witkosky:** Well, they're going to be -- correct me if I go out of bounds here and give the wrong information. The enterprise zone and e-commerce program, one of them sunsets in about 2012, the other right in that timeframe. So it's going to be important, and it's already on the city's legislative agenda that if Rentrac gets into the program, they can use it while the program's in effect. But if it expires, then an extension of that program's going to be essential for them to be able to continue to use the benefits of it.

**Adams:** In that conversation with the state, for all the work that this government does and the Portland development commission does to recruit and retain and expand businesses here, all that corporate income tax goes to the state, does not come here. So this is one of the few tools we have that involves state tax revenue. Any final comments? No. Any additional council discussion? All right. This is a resolution. Anybody wish to testify on 1636? Please call the vote on the resolution.

**Item 1636 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** Really a great tool. [inaudible, mic muted] \$437 million, 4300 jobs [inaudible]. A lot of stuff happened in the city, and this is one of the programs I really appreciated even as an outsider. In part because it does require the jobs to be above minimum wage, benefits including healthcare insurance, child care, paying into the city fund for basics like police and fire. It's a very well run program, and the study showed it very effective. Aye.

**Fish:** Keith, I appreciate the presentation and the briefing my office got. I mean, the point's been made that these are some of the most mobile jobs in our economy, and states are competing like crazy for them. What this action does is results in a very modest public investment locally in terms of foregone property taxes for a huge public benefit, which is retaining 230 jobs with the prospects of further jobs and ahead quartered business in an industry which is part of our overall economic development strategy. So it probably doesn't get better than that. So thanks for the explanation that you gave us to work through some concerns we had. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Well, I think that much has been said in support of this, and I, too, support this. I think we're talking here about an international headquartered company with 230 employees. That probably puts it in the upper echelon of international headquarters we have in Portland, so this is very much where the outlay of -- worth the outlay of tax expenditures to keep those jobs here in Oregon. As the mayor says, the revenues, the income taxes they pay will go to help the state tackle its \$3.5 billion deficit. So this is a good deal for all, and I want to compliment the PDC for its support of this as well. Aye.

**Adams:** Thank you both for your work on this. This business is a cornerstone business of our digital development software targeted industry strategy. It's probably not as well known in the city as it deserves to be. It is a global, an aggressive, and smart player, so I'm pleased that PDC has employed its usual creativeness in helping this company stay here and grow. Aye. Resolution is approved. That gets us to emergency ordinance item number 1637.

**Item 1637.**

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**Leonard:** This is an ordinance that continues our vigorous pursuit of a variance for the treatment at bull run, and i'll turn it over to david.

**David Shaff, Director, Portland Water Bureau:** Good morning. I'm david shaff. I'm the director of the Portland water bureau. With me is yona kagi, the project manager for our treatment variance effort. I think it's fair to say that neither Yona nor I thought that we would be sitting here last December when we first started our sampling program with the good news that we have. As you know, last December we started intensive water quality sampling for cryptosporidium at our water intake up in the bull run water shed. Last week we took our last daily sample. No cryptosporidium was detected in any of the 499 samples over 10,250 liters collected from the intake. Now the final round of sampling for the upstream locations, what the epa referred to as hot spots, was taken yesterday, and we should get the results from that test by the end of the week, but so far, we have detected no cryptosporidium in any of those 270 upstream samples. These results provide clear evidence that Portland has a legitimate case for requesting a variance to the surface water treatment requirements of the LT2 rule. And we're moving forward accordingly. Over the next four and a half months, we're going to be compiling and collecting and organizing the data we've collected through the sampling plan and study and other relevant sources to provide a persuasive argument and treatment variance application for submission to the epa. Despite these encouraging results from our data collection efforts, epa has indicated extreme scepticism of our case and plans to reject our variance be request regardless of the city's quality water results and I sent you on friday a quote from the letter from the district 10 director. To our knowledge, no public water system in the country has attempted to collect a variance from the provision of the safe drinking water act on the basis that the raw water quality was of such a nature that additional treatment was not necessary. We're unique in the nation and plowing new ground. The epa is reasonably concerned that a precedent will be set and extremely conservative in responding to our efforts in obtaining a treatment variance. This is our third proposed approach. On a treatment -- on a variance plan. The first two being rejected by the epa. This approach has been significantly modified as we've gone along in order to meet concerns and objectives voiced by the epa. We believe we've met the standard identified in the rule and by the epa and we'll be able to demonstrate our raw water cryptosporidium level is below that which is stated in the rule. To respond and hopefully address the epa skepticism. We're proposing to enlist the technical assistance of a team of water experts and to assist us in developing the technical underpinnings of our treatment application. And we believe in ensuring to assist the congressional delegation, our congressional delegation to obtain fair consideration by the epa and such an investment will be necessary if the city eventually decides to pursue any legal remedies relevant to the epa's decision making. We're proposing a sole source with cdm, camp, dresser and mckee to provide us with expertise and support in writing the treatment variance request and supporting documentation. They have experience working with other water units to create compliance strategies with drinking water regulations and uniquely equal u qualified for this project. The lead on this project is doctor felipe daniel and he played a critical role as a consultant to the massachusetts water authority in their successful 1999-2000 lawsuit against the epa regarding the agency's attempt to mandate filtration. In addition, cdm has no financial interests in the outcome and not party to any of our current contracts related to lt2. The not to exceed value of the contract is \$600,000. We do anticipate that data or research relevant to our application currently unknown may become available prior to our planned submission next spring and the proposed budget is to ensure any and all relevance, sorry, scientific research or analysis is included in the final application. We did speak with dr. Daniel yesterday and he's anticipating that 5% to 10% of the total contract amount will be used by mwesb firms, primarily in the technical writing portion and he knows we have a strong interest and record of robust mwesb participation in our projects and looking for opportunity to increase mwesb participation in that over the life of the agreement. One final note. While we're no longer engaged in intensively daily

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monitoring we're moving to a monitoring schedule mirroring the one recommended by the epa in which they indicated they'll require in the event we're successful in obtaining a variance. That's why we need the assistance of cdm. We need to collect weekly samples and turbidity samples and we had an event last weekend when we had the heavy rain and we had to go out over the weekend to collect samples and -- samples and so in addition, we're going to continue our scat sampling and need to ramp that up as spring rolls around for calving season. With that, we're available to answer questions you may have.

**Fritz:** I'm very impressed with your work and the detail and thank you for getting us the detail ahead of time and being able to answer questions. Thank you.

**Shaff:** You're welcome.

**Saltzman:** I don't think you addressed why this is a sole source or if you did --

**Shaff:** It has to do with their experience in not only working with other public water systems on regulatory compliance strategies, but they're also -- one of the firms, or dr. Daniel is, one of the consultants used successfully by mrwa, the massachusetts regional water authority to challenge the epa rule in 1999-2000 that would have required them to filter system. There are other firms that are available to do that but they have a piece of the lt2 compliance strategy on the u.v. Side. The other major consultant we would have strongly considered, marco ieta is now with corollo and they're working on the u.v. System and that's why we've identified probably the two experts in the country and one has already a role in our u.v. Design. So that's why we went to cdm and dr. Daniel.

**Saltzman:** You mentioned in your statement, because massachusetts received a variance, right?

**Shaff:** They had Technically they have a waiver.

**Yone Akagi, Senior Engineer, Water Bureau:** A filtration waiver.

**Shaff:** Which we have as well as.

**Saltzman:** I was struck when you said nobody received a variance --

**Shaff:** There's a difference between a waiver and a variance. And --

**Saltzman:** I'm sorry --

**Shaff:** Please don't ask me to explain --

**Saltzman:** I was wondering.

**Akagi:** The six large unfiltered systems, we're operating under a waiver but the epa didn't want to grant Boston one.

**Saltzman:** Ok. Thanks.

**Adams:** Additional council discussion? This is an emergency ordinance. Does anyone wish to testify on 1637?

**Parsons:** We have scott fernandez signed up.

**Adams:** Thanks for your patience in waiting. You've appeared before us in various iterations. Can you tell us in addition to your name if you're representing anyone?

**Scott Fernandez:** My name is scott fernandez, here as a member of the public and thank the water bureau and commissioner Leonard and you, mayor Adams and the rest of the commissioners for being here today. Almost a decade ago, the community stakeholders determined an epa lp2 variance was inappropriate because of policies and inconsistency and making a temporary and it was concluded that a waiver exempting Portland from lt2 was the permanent solution of choice. We have spent three years time and money to meet epa's inconsistent expectations as we heard today. They've come back several times changing their expectations and we're told as dave said we cannot see how epa's position they could not see how we can recommend to the state a variance to the lt2 technique would be granted to the Portland water bureau. One of the benefits of time over the last decade is we've seen first hand cryptosporidium as a microorganism, is a red herring. As we've seen over the decade. It's time to stop spending money and more time on a variance for Portland. We've already shown our water meets epa expectations and we need to move on as the city count u council and city to obtain a waiver from lt2 incorporating congressional help in

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achieving such a outcome and I hope you guys will revisit this whole situation and move to get the congressional help to obtain a waiver that we so readily deserve. We're unique in our watershed, in our water quality and we are going to spend hundreds of millions of dollars for a problem that doesn't exist and it never did and it never will. Because we don't have sewage exposure and that's the bottom line. Thank you.

**Adams:** So I understand, scott, you're supportive of our position to seek the exception, correct?

**Fernandez:** Exactly.

**Adams:** Ok. And you've been helpful in communicating that with our federal delegation which we appreciate. And the -- getting the necessary technical expertise so we communicate in the compelling way with the federal government, you support that? Yes or no?

**Fernandez:** It depends on what you're saying, am I supporting the \$600,000 to be going -- to go forward with this, no, i'm not. I think that's a waste of money, we have our data and we've made our case. For not only the sampling but the public health process.

**Adams:** But you want to make sure we have the best possible case for the feds to win, right?

**Fernandez:** We already have it as of today.

**Adams:** As of today. O.K. Thanks for your --

**Fernandez:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Anyone else wish to testify on this matter? Sue, please call the vote.

**Item 1637 roll.**

**Leonard:** I appreciate the ongoing efforts of the water bureau in pursuing this aspect of the It2 variance that is the treatment aspect. I remain concerned that the epa has set a high bar for us to meet with the expectation on their part that we could never meet it and now it appears we're now meeting it, that they may change the rules or ignore our test results. Accordingly, i've had ongoing discussions with senator jeff merkley as late as this past saturday when david shaff, met with him in his office in Portland to bring him up to date with our efforts and then to make sure he understood that we remain very concerned that the epa may be setting us to fail and ask for his assistance in that event. Which he has promised to do. And has been steadfast since he was elected to the united states senate in providing us outstanding advocacy in Washington d.c. In fact, we don't think we'd be at the point we are right now without the efforts he's made on our behalf. I want to publicly acknowledge my thanks to him and his great staff as well. Aye.

**Fritz:** Thank you, commissioner Leonard, and director david shaff and yoni for all of your great work and it's impressive and we're continuing to move forward. Aye.

**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Well, the epa appears to be engaged in a kind of ever-changing whack them all, you know, criteria for examining our application. And \$600,000 is not a small amount of money but pales in comparison to what we'll have to spend if we're not successful. I wish I could, scott, take your word for it, from your lips to god's ears, but this is the epa and I want to make sure we've done everything we can to get the exceptions we're after. I support this. Aye. So approved. Please read the title and call the vote for 1638. Second reading.

**Item 1638 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** Thanks to christine and david for answering my questions. Aye.

**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. [gavel pounded] approve. Can you please read the title for item 1639.

**Item 1639.**

**Adams:** That's the longest title I think you've ever read. Commissioner randy Leonard.

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**Leonard:** Thank you, mayor Adams. I want to first make sure I express my appreciation, the chief's appreciation and all the members of the fire bureau's appreciation for the voters supporting the bond measure that just passed in november and specifically the provision we're discussing here today, \$19,800,000 to fund aging apparatus that I hope the council recalls was a amount we identified that was required to catch the city up to the level that we should have been had not the city over a 10-year period or longer consistently not funded the apparatus replacement fund to the tune that omf has long identified in its projected budgets for the fire bureau that needs to be set aside every year in order to timely replace -- apparatus that is obsolete. I'm bringing this resolution forward to -- to create a special fund that the money that already is part of omf's ongoing projection that the fire bureau needs notwithstanding the voters' approval of the bond measure to -- in a timely manner, replace obsolete equipment. This fund would have the money as it's appropriated to the fire bureau every year deposited within it and drawn upon, exclusively for the use of replacing obsolete fire engines and fire trucks and other apparatus. The amount identified, \$1.8 million is the amount that's in omf's five-year operating plan as required to keep up with apparatus as they -- as they wear out. And the other reason that I think that it's important for us to not only establish that we need to continue in on an ongoing basis, paying the \$1.8 million into this fund, it could be tempting for some to try and back-fill from what the voters have just authorized other programs, general fund programs the city wants to fund at the expense of contributing out of future general fund allocations, the \$1.8 million that needs to from -- from this point on be deposited into this fund so that the fund maintains itself at a level that will allow the fire bureau to replace apparatus. Chief?

**John Klum, Fire Chief, Fire Bureau:** Thank you, john klum, fire chief, city of Portland. Commissioner Leonard summarized it well, but as with he know, we're fortunate enough to have the voters pass the 72.4 million general obligation bond levy this last november and the \$19.8 million as commissioner Leonard said over the next five years to address a backlog of apparatus and after that five-year point in time, we'll need our -- our ongoing regular apparatus replacement budget to carry forward to keep on our 15-year 120,000-mile replacement schedule and as outlined in the 2010-11 budget, Portland fire and rescue apparatus replacement is actually \$2.4 million. \$1.8 million is plus inflation ongoing is what is identified as far as ongoing apparatus replacement. Once we take care of the backlog over that five-year period with the 19.8 in the bond, the funding is not designated for apparatus replacement, we'll start slipping back into the same situation we had before with the apparatus backlog. The resolution today, if council approves will prevent that from happening and this would ensure, would be if the apparatus replacement appropriation continues through fiscal year 2014 and '15 into a designated fund for the intent to start using that in fiscal year 2015-'16 to supplement \$1.8 million, that will spread out the effectiveness of this bond for 15 years to the year 2025. Before we -- we start slipping backwards. We've -- Portland fire and rescue feels this is a fiscally prudent solution to address an issue created over time and to make a commitment to the taxpayers that their bond money be leveraged as far as possible in the future and we appreciate your consideration of this.

**Fritz:** I appreciate this approach. And i'd like us to revisit it in budget -- i'm going to support the resolution, it's a good start. I'd like us to revisit it in the budget process, it's \$2.4 million that's needed, providing safe equipment to get to fires is a basic service and we need to figure out how to make sure that's ongoing and future councils don't chip away at the budget. They're gracious, the voters to give us this opportunity to catch up and i'm very interested in -- I think your budget committee is meeting today. I would like to hear more in the budget process about further recommendations beyond this \$1.8 million, how that continues to happen. Thank you for your work.

**Fish:** Chief, it's my understanding from my briefing from ken rust yesterday, we can't as commissioner Leonard pointed out, there's a amount built into the five-year projections but if the

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economy tanked again and we had to make tough choices there's nothing sacrosanct about that fund. From the reason we got into this hole -- having to reduce our set-aside for replacement and use it for other costs. With the understanding what we're doing here is setting aside money in the forecast into sort of this lock box for the purpose of effectively extending the benefit of what the taxpayers gave us through the bond. Which is going from years five to 15 and having adequate source of funds to maintain the replacement which means -- replacement which means safe equipment, that delivers what the public wants. I just wanted to state the office, in doing so, we're not -- we're not usurping the normal budget process in which we have to every year take a look at how we're allocating money, but saying this approach of -- of -- of preparing for the time where the -- where the -- where the transfusion, the \$19 million runs out and you're back to the same predicament. Taking this approach, we're creating a -- getting a head start in giving you the resources you need to stay on schedule. With that understand, i'll support this.

**Saltzman:** I have concerns about this, because it seems to me we're doing a budget action, directing a \$1.8 million appropriation in perpetuity. And I just can't get around how that's a budget decision that belongs in the budget process but i'm trying to reconcile this with statements made when considering this bond measure that said we would not need \$1.8 million, a general apparatus fund budget this coming fiscal year if the bond measure passed.

**Leonard:** Who made that statement?

**Saltzman:** I believe it was you.

**Leonard:** I reviewed the transcript --

**Saltzman:** It may not be at council meeting but may have been in discussions.

**Fish:** On that point, commissioner, I had the same question when ken rust visited me and andrew and I was satisfied the context for that comment for me that I heard occurred in connection with the pf&r discussion.

**Saltzman:** I know what you're talking about.

**Fish:** Reduction in general fund versus this and my recollection was your testimony on this point was that you may not need the full amount of \$1.8 million although when I went back and checked the testimony, you didn't commit to one thing or another. But in response to plea question, that you need half or a third, i'm satisfied there wasn't that representation to the council.

**Saltzman:** May not have been the council, but i'm not confusing it. We're going to have high-speed rapid response vehicles, that are traditional 15-year, 120,000-mile replacement standard will be prolonged because we won't be using those big vehicles as much and that's the other concern I have. It comes down, I feel like i'm making a budget decision now outside of the budget process and not sufficiently allowing for the rapid deployment vehicles and their impact on giving us longer life for the heavy duty apparatus, I cannot support this at this time.

**Leonard:** Notwithstanding how you feel about it, this is not a budget decision. It's a resolution that -- that still is required -- the council to go through the budget process and adopt a budget by its own majority vote, the council can fund the budget at whatever level it wants to fund -- the fundamental important part of this resolution to me is certainly the amount of money that -- that identifies, that is already identified as the ongoing amount that should be set aside but actually creates a fund that's identifiable and stands out as a separate fund. There was discussion last july when this was referred to the voters that -- that some of that apparatus replacement money or all of the apparatus replacement money was fuzzy in the budget process and that some councilmembers didn't really understand the nature of what that meant and i'm more reacting to that conversation and trying to create a separate fund so it's clear as a line item in the budget that it is a stand-alone fund and -- and certainly the fire bureau determines at some point the apparatus are in front line condition, notwithstanding the amount of miles, i'm sure they'll choose not to replace that apparatus, but I think this is actually a responsible way to move forward so we don't put ourselves in a position of having to go to the voters and hearing what I heard as I was campaigning, why didn't you adequate

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plan for this in your budget over the years? Why vote for something that you have the responsibility to fund?

**Fish:** Can I get clarification. I appreciate the fact we're creating a dedicated apparatus fund and using the budgeted money in the forecast to the extent that council at budget time elects to continue the \$1.8 million appropriation. Would go into that fund and I appreciate the fact that the intent as the chief has noted is to in effect stretch out the 15 years solid financial footing for the replacement fund. But if at some point, the chief or a future chief proposed to I don't that money for another purpose that, would come back to council?

**Leonard:** It would have to.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Does anyone wish to testify on this matter? Sue, please call the vote on the resolution.

**Item 1639 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** I share commissioner Saltzman's concern -- i'm not sure why we're doing this today. I would have preferred to have done it in the budget process. I think we need at least this amount of money stashed way to look at the apparatus replacement and i'm encouraged it's locked up in the fund and can't be used for cuts or other purposes and I will want more discussions and as commissioner Fish said, this is a resolution, we can as part of the budget process revisit it and decide if it needs to be more or less or what. That's why i'm comfortable supporting it. Although I prefer it to be done in the budget process. Aye.

**Fish:** I appreciate the way commissioner Fritz and Saltzman framed the question of timing and I had those same questions when I got my briefing. Because it's a resolution and doesn't bind us what we do at budget time, i'm not as concerned with that. I do want to acknowledge a point commissioner Leonard raised, a recurring criticism, why aren't we doing a better job allocating resources over time to cover these costs? The truth is by continuing the appropriation at whatever level the council deems appropriate and putting it away to be used when these other resources are exhausted strikes me as good financial planning. I think it's cleaner to do it during the budget process but it's a resolution and the most important thing, it ensures 15 years of sound financial footing to meet the need of apparatus replacement. Which is after all, a safety issue. I appreciate the dialogue. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Again, I have no problems setting up a special dedicated fund but I believe part of the resolution that directs an annual appropriation of \$1.8 million is a budget decision even though it's in a resolution. I mean, the last thing we want to do is going down the road of adopting resolutions directing appropriations. I can see the park bureau coming forward with something solar and the police bureau. And even though they're nonbinding, they have a certain gravity, and the gravity of those resolutions turns out to be restraints on the council's ability to balance the budget and allocate the precious general fund as it sees fit for the priorities at that particular time. And as I also stated, I believe with the new high-speed emergency response vehicle, the bureau will have the apparatus replacement cycles are going to be longer for our existing heavy rigs because they'll be used less. So as I said, I don't feel this is an appropriate decision for us to be making at this time. It should be through the nuts and bolts of the budget process. Respectfully, I vote no.

**Adams:** Well, this is an official public opportunity for me to thank you, commissioner Saltzman and your campaign team -- sorry, commissioner Leonard, and your campaign team for --

**Leonard:** You're welcome.

**Adams:** -- putting your political chips on the line to get this passed. And I think the most salient and important message this resolution sends is we're fulfilling your commitment on our behalf we wouldn't play shell games if -- financial shell games if they passed the bond measure and I think that's important and so this will get, of course, tested, scrubbed and discussed as all other council

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commitments through the budget process but it draws a line in the sand that the voters expect of us in terms of fulfilling our word and the bond measure. Aye.

**Fish:** Just a quick update on timing, we have a time certain at 3:00.

**Adams:** Correct. We're in recess until 3:00 this afternoon.

**Fish:** I expect that to be at the absolute outside, 30 minutes. And then we're picking up I guess –

At 1:03 p.m. Council recessed.

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**Adams:** December 15, 2010. Can you please read our time certain, item number 1642. I don't usually call the roll, do i?

**Parsons:** When we reconvene?

**Fritz:** It's fun to call the roll. [laughter]

**Saltzman:** It points out who's really here.

**Adams:** I don't want to deny you of any fun, sue, because your job otherwise -- please, call the roll. [ roll call ]

**Adams:** A quorum has been confirmed. Please read the title for 3 o'clock time certain.

**Item 1642.**

**Adams:** Commissioner nick Fish.

**Fish:** Thank you, mayor. I'm very pleased to introduce this item which marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter in the Portland housing below. This -- bureau. This item is supported by council, will dissolve the former housing and community development commission, and replace it with the new Portland housing advisory commission, or phac. A number of our distinguished commissioners, proposed commissioners are here, margaret Will introduce them in a moment. The new commission is part of our bureau's public involvement strategy, the goal of which is to make the Portland housing bureau more transparent and accountable to all of its stakeholders. That includes taxpayers, the people we serve, housing professionals, and others. The new body will provide valuable input and advice to the bureau's leadership, to me, and to council on a broad range of issues. It will also serve as our budget advisory committee and will be the primary public forum for housing issues. And this group will help us think critically about the many challenges before us.

And they include how do we address the tremendous housing needs in our community, with diminishing resources. How can we increase the participation of the private sector and leverage new resources, public and private, to serve the needs of very low-income people in our community? How can we be more efficient and effective in delivering vital services? How can we promote greater equity and opportunities both within our bureau and without? And how do we work better with all of our partners, including the county and metro, state and federal, to better meet our goals? To select our first commission members, we held an open recruitment that frankly yielded an amazing pool of candidates. This was not an easy decision. Together margaret and I selected a very diverse group of individuals. With ties to many different areas of city life and a broad range of expertise, and such areas as homeownership, ending homelessness, and many other skill sets. We have representation from the business community and the neighborhood system. We have people who are familiar with urban renewal advisory committees, the needs of immigrant refugee communities, the needs of communities of color, and on and on. It's really a tremendous group of people. And a number of them are here today, and we'll hear from them. But first I want to introduce margaret. It feels like we've already spent some time together. Welcome back. And it's your show.

**Margaret Van Vliet, Director Portland Housing Bureau:** Thank you. I'm glad to see you again, i'll be brief. You've seen enough of me today. But this is an important moment also in the kind of evolution of phb. I think in addition to what commissioner Fish said, what I would underscore is

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this is a single table where we can have the broad range of housing conversations. And under the old system, which certainly served the city well for many years, we had one set of folks helping us advise on expenditures of federal funds, we had a different group that served as the budget advisory committee and focused almost exclusively on city general Funds, and then a third set of stakeholders inside the urban renewal advisory committee system. And so what we didn't have was sort of the crosswalk of how do those pieces fit together? So our hope is this is the table where we knit those things together and that this group of people asks us the hard questions, helps hold us accountable for kind of really taking phb to the next level, and housing investments generally to the next level. So I am again delighted to be here, i'm going to ask each of them to just do a very brief self-introduction, and then we'll move from there. I also want to acknowledge that beth kay is our fabulous staff person who has -- run as lot of our public involvement work for the bureau. She's been a long-term city employee and staffs the hcdc for many years. So she's helping make this a smooth transition on our end. Since there's three chairs, we'll invite people up three at a time.

**Fish:** Welcome. Deborah, why don't we start with you. If everyone will say name, affiliation, something about what you do, and why you agreed to join the commission. Deborah?

**Adams:** You're virtually dressed the same.

**Deborah Imse:** Executive director for metro multifamily housing association, and I want to say what an honor it is to be part of this commission and to serve with the kind of folks that i'll be Serving with. 35 to 37% of housing in the city of Portland is rental housing, and some of it affordable. Much of it managed by my members. Since the mission statement of our organization is to promote quality rental housing, I see that mission very much in line with both the purpose, the vision, and the strategy for the housing bureau.

**Fish:** Deborah, Thank you for serving on the section 8, which look the at this question of bumping up the success rate for voucher holders from what was the low of 75% now to well over 90%. And you and some of the other industry representatives were really key part -- participants in that process.

**Imse:** You're welcome. I'm happy to do so.

**Mark Jolin:** I'm mark, the executive director of join, and it's really an incredible honor to be able to serve on this commission. I'm really excited by the broad charge that we have, the range of things we're going to get to talk about as a group, and there are some fantastic folks on this commission. Some I know well already, others i'm looking forward to getting to know. I spent last five years of my role of join participating very actively on the coordinating committee to end homelessness, and a variety of issues aimed at trying to address how we best deliver services as a community to people living on our streets. I'm looking forward to bringing that experience ask perspective to the group. Thank you again.

**Rey Espana:** mayor Adams, commissioners, it's always a privilege to be with you and i'm rey, I direct community development at the native american youth and family center. I recently celebrated my 20th anniversary up in Portland, and aye had an opportunity to kind of work in the community on a number of issues from homelessness redesign, the shelter -- all that -- to my work with the county, and now my tenure with nai. And I couldn't -- I want to thank commissioner Fish and margaret for the opportunity to sit with really great people who i've gotten to know, and I think I view the issues that concern the native community as well as other communities at a point where it's transformative, a time to address many issues across this community. So it's an honor to contribute whatever I can to that effort.

**Adams:** Thank you all.

**Fish:** Andrew, why don't you kick us off.

**Andrew Colas:** Good afternoon. I'm andrew colas, president of colas construction, incorporated. We're a local general contractor, i'm also a member of the national minority association of contractors. The association of general contractors, and several other organizations, and what I feel

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i'm bringing to the table is diverse knowledge base of really promoting diversity within the construction industry and one of the things i'm really excited about in this particular commission and this committee that i'm with, and i'd like to Really commend commissioner Fish and Margaret and the rest of her staff on really having a very diverse group of people on this commission. I'm really excited, i'm not only diverse in the ethnicity, but diverse in the knowledge base that i've seen everybody brings to the table. So i'm extremely excited about working with this group of people for the next three years, and we're really looking forward to help promote diversity and help promote the housing and thank you very much.

**Fish:** We should also acknowledge your dad is here and your sister serves on a body, a city body, doesn't have the prestige of this commission -- [laughter] but she's doing her part as well.

**Colas:** Yes. And we're very proud, and we'll continue to do good work for the city. Thank you very much.

**Adams:** You're going to have to call each other commissioner.

**Colas:** My father is a commissioner in Gresham, so I was the only one left out of the family, and they were giving me a hard time for a while.

**Fish:** There might be some rule against it.

**Colas:** Finally I get to sit at the dinner table with the rest of them. Thank you all for allowing me to spend time with you.

**Traci Manning:** Mayor, council, Traci Manning, the chief operating officer of Central City Concern. And perhaps relatedly for this commission chair the Oregon Convention Center Urban Renewal Advisory Committee. Which is one thing I bring to the table, but I think I particularly want to thank you and Commissioner Fish for this opportunity I think at a moment of incredible stress for us publicly in trying to meet the needs of the citizens of Portland, we also have this really incredible moment of opportunity I think given the commitment of this council has shown to people who are in need of housing in our community, and as well as the Multnomah County Commission, housing authority metro, it feels like it's a little Pollyannaish to say, but this moment of great stress is also a moment of great opportunity. And i'm particularly excited that this coming together from the Portland Development Commission, city of Portland, and the great relationships with Multnomah County, something i'm particularly interested in working on is really leveraging all that interest into something above and beyond for Portland. So thanks for the opportunity. I appreciate it.

**Fish:** Let me just acknowledge Central City Concern has had a hell of a year. Whether it was the opening of the Madrona in the Rose Quarter, or getting the stimulus grant that allowed you to move forward on the new health clinic at the Portland Burger King site downtown, and in between, it's -- you and Ed have done a marvelous job. Congratulations.

**Christine Lau:** Good afternoon. Mayor and city council, my name is Christine, I work for the Asian Health and Service Center, and we've been trying to serve the Asian community by -- in the last 27 years in the city of Portland, and all I want to say is thank you so much for giving me this opportunity to be able to participate at this wonderful commission, and able to participate on the different issues, and I just, you know, I remember the very first time I arrived in the city of Portland, I was so amazed at the beautiful of the city, because I never see a city with roses on the street before I came here. And I came from Asia, so, you know, with the passion, with -- kind of amazed at all these things, I realized with the Asian community, with the senior population, and now we discuss about the social equity, injustice, or how to pass other resources to make sure everybody benefits from all the things we have, we know we don't have enough resources for everyone, but it's important for us to be able to communicate with everyone and able to distribute for those population. I want to say really really thank you for able to participate. And I think this mean a lot, not just for me personally, but the for the community, people of color that I serve, all of the agencies that we serve. So thank you.

**Adams:** Thank you all very much.

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**Fish:** Let's start with mark, but after seeing mark, how many organizations you have a leadership role, at least we could do is get you an office at city hall.

**Mark White:** mark white, president of powellhurst neighborhood association. I think what i'd like to say is that between october 2006 and march 2009, my neighborhood grew by 612 households. Five and three-quarters percent in 29 months. And that combined with the fact that 80% of our kids in the six schools in our neighborhood qualify for free or reduced lunch makes housing and everything that's related to it incredibly important for our neighborhood. And I think it's exemplified most clearly by ron russell middle school, which has 85% kids qualifying for free or reduced lunch, and that's 753 children in one school. So for me to be a part of this is truly, truly an honor, and i'm very, very grateful to be a part of it. So thank you.

**Jesse Beason:** Hi. Good morning. Good afternoon. My name is jesse beason, the executive director of crowd ground, and with the tremendous support from the Portland housing bureau, we help low-income families buy their first home, and we keep those homes affordable across generations. It's such an honor to be asked to be at this table. I know that every day i'm working to help low-income families in particular families of color build the assets, but I think what we've been asked to do is really take off our singular hats that we might wear and really think about the broad Issue of housing in our community. So i'm very excited to wear a different hat and perhaps wear the hats of some others as we wrestle through some of the difficult issues around providing housing to every single Portlander. Thank you.

**Adams:** You know that I love to ask you this question when we see each other at these settings, because your answer is remarkable. That is, how many of the homes that you've placed people in since the inception of your organization, have ever gone into foreclosure?

**Beason:** Zero.

**Fish:** Quite a remarkable thing in this climate. Thank you very much.

**Adams:** Great work. Thank you.

**Van Vliet:** And There's more. Let me quickly tell a couple of the other folks who could not make it today. First is carter mcnichol, a private developer with the firm of shields oblets and johnson. He's been active in real estate in Portland many years. We are also going to be joined by carmen rubio, who many of you know, she's the executive director of the latino network. We have toby Washington, who is a retired banker and real estate lender, most recently was president of homestead capital. And finally --

**Adams:** Toby began his career working as an aide to former mayor john lindsey.

**Van Vliet:** So there's that. And then finally is brian wilson, who is an executive, he's been a member of The bureau's budget advisory committee for several years, but he's also a member of the Portland business alliance. So I think you can understand why i'm just delighted to have this caliber of folks come and help shape the bureau, help make the hard decisions and be -- help me be accountable but I think help the whole city really put its best foot forward in thinking about where we go with housing next in this community. So that's the lineup. And with your concurrence, we'll put them straight to work.

**Fish:** Thank you, margaret.

**Adams:** Does anyone wish to testify on item number 1642?

**Fish:** Danielle is signaling me on something.

**Adams:** Danielle wants to testify? [laughter]

**Fish:** Do we have to amend something? So mayor, I would move exhibit -- amendment to exhibit a.

**Fritz:** Second.

**Adams:** It's been moved and seconded. What is the assessment?

**Fish:** It adds the language to include homelessness as a focus area in the phac mission statement.

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**Adams:** Great. Any discussion of the amendment beyond that? Sue, can you please call the vote on the amendment.

**Amend exhibit A roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. [gavel pounded] Can you please call the vote on -- unless there's someone that wishes to testify, can you please call the vote on the amended item number 1642.

**Item 1642 roll.**

**Leonard:** Thank you commissioner Fish and all your staff. Aye.

**Fritz:** This is a wonderful commission and congratulations and well done commissioner Fish. It is indeed an honor to serve on one of the city's boards and commissions, it's also a lot of work, and I greatly appreciate your willingness to step up and do that on behalf of the citizens. You truly are a part of the riches of our city. Aye.

**Fish:** Thank you. I want to thank everyone who's agreed to serve. I attended my first phac informal meeting the other day, and I was struck at how thoughtful the discussion was, and what a high level, and what we've been able to assemble through this process is a group of very smart, very committed very diverse and very independent thinking people. And this is not going to be a rubber stamp group. I've already observed people asking fundamental questions, tough questions, pushing back, and I think it's going to be a different kind of process for us. I think in the past frankly particularly in the housing world, we've often sought the company of the amen chorus, and what we're going to get is some tough questions about priorities and where we put our money and Outcomes, and how we structure our operations with budget challenges going forward. So I could not be a prouder of this lineup and more grateful for people's willingness to serve and help us get it right. I think margaret is off to a tremendous start. But I think the people who have agreed to serve on this commission will take it to the next level. So heartfelt thank you to everybody, and i'm pleased to vote aye.

**Saltzman:** I also just want to thank you all for your willingness to serve our city, and look forward to your recommendations and robust discussion. Aye.

**Adams:** Thank you very much for your willingness to serve. Good, important, tough issues to tackle. Aye. [gavel pounded] congratulations, commissioners. [applause]

**Van Vliet:** We're going swear them in.

**Fish:** Where?

**Adams:** I'm sorry, you're not commissioners. Commissioners-elect.

**Fish:** With a ceremony to follow?

**Van Vliet:** I believe that's the case.

**Adams:** Can you please call -- unless someone wishes to testify, can you please read the title for 1643.

**Adams:** Please call the vote.

**Item 1643 roll.**

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. [gavel pounded] you're now official. Now you can -- we won't be offended if you want to leave. If you have other things to do -- sue, please read the title for 1631.

**Item 1631.**

**Adams:** Commissioner amanda Fritz.

**Fritz:** Thank you, mayor Adams. And thank you, colleagues, this has been a very interesting process, and I have greatly appreciated your collaboration in it. First i'd like to move the substitute exhibit a, which has a different ordering of the --

**Adams:** Moved.

**Fritz:** Second.

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**Adams:** Anyone wish to testify on the motion to amend? Sue, can you please call the vote on the motion to amend.

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Adams:** Aye. [gavel pounded]

**Fritz:** Thank you. This resolution appoints members to the 2011 charter commission. It convenes the commission and request a specific study and actions. The reason we're doing this is because the voters in 2007 passed measure 26-98 which became effective on January 1st, 2009, and states that the council shall convene a charter review commission no -- no later than two years after the effective date, which is January 1st of 2011. So the voters said we were going to have this charter commission so that's what we're doing. The charter commission is there -- and then to be convened

At least every 10 years thereafter. The part of the reason for doing -- for the vote is putting that in place was that there was a suggestion or a request of voters in the last charter review to change the form of government. And it was felt if we did change the form of government, there might need to be a quick check-in to make sure if there were any technical glitches or unintended consequences there was a way to correct those and continue the good conversations started under Mayor Potter. In the meantime, the recession hit, in the meantime we are doing the Portland plan, which is expected to take at least one more year, and the bureaus have been taking significant budget cuts for the last two years. 600,000 dollars was apportioned for the previous charter review, which would be a very difficult sum for the council to find at this time, and yet that kind of money is needed for a significant public outreach process, which is part of charter review, all of our citizens discuss a charter, which is our city's constitution. So faced with both the charter requirement that we will fulfill by this resolution, and with the realities, the council is requesting a two-part charter review process. And I say requesting, because once the charter commission is convened, it gets to do whatever it wants. But we did not, as Commissioner Fish had said that they did avoid public outreach to solicit Application for this -- for his commission, unlike any other process I've ever wanted to be involved in, we didn't do that in this process. And it's very unlike me, so I want to explain why we chose to go this particular route. The charter requires that the city -- the charter commission shall be reflective of the city in terms of its racial and ethnic diversity, age, and geography, it shall be comprised of 20 residents of the city and each member of the council shall nominate four charter commission members who will be subject to confirmation by the council. I volunteered and Mayor Adams appoint me earlier this year to figure out how to appoint this charter commission, and quickly realized you can't ask two of those questions on application forms, and that we wanted to do this two-part process. What we're proposing is a six-month process which we're asking this charter commission to serve for, to do three things, and then a follow-up second charter commission which by voting this with resolution, each member of the council commits to forming a second charter commission, to do a broader public outreach and more thorough discussion after conclusion of the Portland plan. We believe the Portland plan should inform the charter changes rather than the charter changes trying to get ahead of the Portland plan.

I've been very impressed with the process and with the amount of outreach and education that's been going on as a part of that. We're doing a very thoughtful discussion about who we are now and who we want to be. And those results should inform the next real charter commission. So we're asking this charter commission to serve for 6 months, as I mentioned, and asking them to do 3 main things. First to prepare a list of housekeeping amendments which I define as minor issues, mostly removing offensive and outdated language from the charter that's been there for 150 years and no longer applies in 2011. Without making changes with greater policy implications that would need to be discussed with a greater lens. Secondly, advising the council on how to set up an inclusive city wide process to appoint the second charter commission, recognizing the standards for diversity in the charter.

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... And yet still allowing the five council members to each appoint four members. A second charge is to ask -- the advice of this commission on how to do that. We'll also ask our coalition participants, our stakeholders and individuals in the community. Give us your best advice how to do that so when we come to form the second commission, we'll have a robust public process and able to select another panel of to serve on the commission. And to prepare a list of issues, and put off until the second more robust charter commission process so that anything that has even minor policy implications I would request and the council requests that those items be put on a list and go to the second charter review process. And let's see -- I do -- we all connect with appointing a second charter commission and informed by citywide public process and neither more nor less likely to be appointed to the second commission than other Portlanders and it will be selection -- selection guided by the advice of the 2011 charter commission and the public investment advisory committee and multiple community stakeholders and I or another councilmember will coordinate this process. And we will consider measures in the 2011-2012 budget to ensure adequate funding for the charter commission, this time and every 10 years. The resolution before us commits a maximum of \$20,000 to this current charter process. I have an intern in my office and the office of neighborhood involvement and office of the city attorney and others will help staff this commission so we'll -- there will probably be a butch request or adjustment request coming for this particular charter commission. We also need to figure out ongoing how to make sure at least every 10 years we can do public outreach and process. The 2011 charter commissioners were appointed, four by each member. Mayor Adams appointed lai-lani ovalles and shelli romero -- and tricia tillman. And commissioner Fish, cassie cohen and steve weiss and anita yap and I appointed steve abel, bonny mcknight -- and to the best of my ability these commissioners do represent the diversity of our city in age and geographic and race and ethnicity. I'm pleased of this group of 20 and the council ask in this resolution to set mark white to remain with us and thank you for your service and anita yap, co-chairs of this commission and we recognize that the commission gets to set its own rules of procedure and could alter that but that's our recommendation how to start off the process.

**Fish:** Mayor, I have one question. Since this is the first charter review I think i'll participate in as a member of council, the one thing i'm not clear about is what our role is in terms of shaping the issues for consideration of the subsequent commission and the role of this body and i'll give you an example. Let's say this particular body decides they believe the form of government should be reconsidered. And let's say despite mark's best effort, the consensus is that we should replace the commission style form with a monarchy. What -- as a matter for consideration and what extent does the council shape the list of issues which are considered?

**Fritz:** The council makes requests to the commission. If 15 of the 20 commissioners decide they want to refer this to the ballot in may to change to a monarchy, they get to do this without our input. If there's other things they want to put on the ballot in may or -- whenever -- the majority wants to bring it to council and council decides whether to refer it. Am I correct in that? Close enough? I've been --

**Linly Rees, Attorney, Office of City Attorney:** We would need to check with Linda Meng.

**Fish:** Just so i'm clear, our ultimate check, if you will, making sure this is a constructive exercise and not one that maybe goes too far afield, is to the appointment process?

**Fritz:** Indeed. So and I explained pretty much in the same language, that's why I came out quickly. I made about 23 phone calls and I have to say I was impressed. We selected our members from the members of existing boards and commissions thinking these folks know something about city government and how it's structured and they're busy people and pragmatic. And if you want something done, you ask a busy person and it gets done more quickly than might otherwise be the case. I did explain to the commissioners what we were asking them to do and a couple asked the same question, commissioner Fish, and so it will be up to the commission to, I hope, honor the two-part process which we're setting in place. Because we don't have the funding for a thorough

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outreach process, we will, of course, set up a website and have public meetings and opportunities for input from citizens, but we don't have hundreds of thousands of dollars to do an extensive outreach process, so it will be up to the commissioners to decide that.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Fritz:** My expectation, actually, is that will be on the list fairly quickly. That's something that -- sorry.

**Fish:** Is commissioner Leonard sending you a text message again? I thought we talked about that.

**Leonard:** I'm working on it.

**Fritz:** What was your question again, commissioner Fish?

**Fish:** I'm satisfied with your answer.

**Saltzman:** Recommendations from the commission goes straight to the ballot. Don't come to the city council.

**Fritz:** 15 of 20 vote in support of sending something to the ballot. I would hope we would have a public hearing before council, as what happened in the previous process, it's a way to publicize what the commission has done. A report to council and they'll specify which of the issues they want to go to the ballot have the support -- the required supermajority and which they would like us to consider. What I'm hoping for, the commission comes up with a list of amendments and everybody nods and say, yes, absolutely, there's no reason that commissioner Fritz happens to be called the commissioner of public utilities and wouldn't it be great if commissioner Leonard could get all of the questions directly to him instead of forwarding questions to him about the water bureau in the middle of the night.

**Fish:** I will strongly object to that change. Having run a few times, I remember it was one of the most successful pop quizzes by "willamette week" to cause embarrassment to those running for council -- if they knew the title of the position they were running for was. I would hate to see that opportunity lost.

**Fritz:** If there's any controversy, I'm hoping if there's any policy implication, they'll pass it to the next commission. Normally, if I had not been elected, thanks to the graces of the citizens of Portland, I would be the first to clamor to be on this commission. I don't think it's the right time to ask our citizens to multitask right now. But I've been surprised and amused and felt a kindred spirit with -- and their eyes light up and delve into 22.64 and could we please change -- I think it's an interesting task that the commissioners have ahead of them and I'm confident that we've selected a group of diverse folks committed to the public purpose for which we're asking you to serving.

**Adams:** Is there any additional council discussion? I would add there's been two ballot measures on changing the form of government and they both went down by 75-25. And I like the profile of the -- and I like the purpose of the commission as commissioner Fritz has outlined it. Because I do think that there's a lot of technical craziness in the charter and I also know that the voters have spoken clearly on major changes recently. Anyone wish to testify on this matter? Sue, please call the vote.

**Item 1631 roll.**

**Leonard:** Thank you. Thank you, commissioner Fritz for putting this together and thank you, mark for agreeing to serve. Aye.

**Fritz:** Again, thank you to each of my colleagues' support for the process and getting the appointments done was outstanding and a joy to coordinate. I didn't have the commissioners -- ask the commissioners to come today, when I was seeing the housing commission telling their stories, I was a little chagrined. Because there are 20 wonderful people here. We'll get a website up with a self-written paragraph about each of the commissioners. And another note, as we move forward and hopefully, this commission will identify the issues in a efficient manner within six months, the Portland plan will still be going on and those interested in talking about the form of government or some other technical issues, there's no need to wait until the next charter commission. Those

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conversations can happen as part of the Portland plan and neighborhood involvement system and this will give us a more robust system and opportunities for everybody being involved in making charter changes. Thank you, mayor for the honor of coordinating this process. I truly appreciate it.  
Aye.

**Fish:** Commissioner Fritz acknowledged it's an atypical process for him. I remember the times we were given a list of names the size of a phone book -- the size of a phone book. This is a great group of people. And I appreciate, amanda, the passion for this process and the explanation of what steps lie ahead. Thank you for your leadership. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Thanks, commissioner Fritz, and thank you to mark white and other members of the charter commission. Thank you for your service. It's a lot of work and we look forward to your recommendations. Aye.

**Adams:** Great direction. Excellent way to set it up. And thank you, commissioner Fritz. Aye.  
[gavel pounded] all right. We get back to the last item, and that was item -- 1607. Welcome back.

**Items 1588 and 1607.**

**Carmen Merlo, Director, Office of Emergency Management:** Thank you, mayor, thank you, commissioners. You heard two items from us. I first was a resolution to accept the fiscal year 2010 natural hazard risk reduction strategy. And commissioner Fritz had raised a couple of questions and some changes that she requested we make. Which we did. You should have the amended resolution in front of you. Oh, it's being passed out right now. Right now. I'd like to go over them and make sure you're ok with them and they meet your need. The first is to specifically call out we'll going to be adding a new chapter to the hazard strategy and that will include an outline and formal process of how we're going to implement our public involvement and community outreach. And we've attached an attachment -- excuse me, exhibit c, which specifically addresses the amendment that commissioner Fritz requested. Specifically to add the office of human relation, office of neighborhood involvement and the cable communications and franchise management office into several action items.

**Fritz:** I think there was another one. Add the office of healthy works rivers. But we can add that later.

**Merlo:** I'm sorry, commissioner, if we missed one, we'll be happy to add that.

**Fritz:** Yeah.

**Merlo:** The second item --

**Adams:** It says work with all bureaus. You're set, I think.

**Merlo:** Ok. The second item is an amendment to the ordinance you heard this morning that would approve a request for application to Oregon emergency management to conduct that public outreach process and per commissioner Fritz's request, we've amended it to include that statement we'll work specifically with the office of neighborhood involvement and the office of human relations as part of that planning process.

**Fish:** You want to adopt this amended resolution?

**Fritz:** Could I speak to this first?

**Adams:** I think they'll go right through. But yes.

**Fritz:** This doesn't address the second one. The letter of commitment. Doesn't address the core problem. That is, that exhibit a, referenced in exhibit b of this letter of commitment, called for the neighborhood coalitions to do things which we haven't asked them whether they're willing to do or not.

**Merlo:** Commissioner, we're not requiring, directing the neighbor coalitions to do anything.

**Fritz:** Could we strike the reference to exhibit a?

**Merlo:** Sorry, where are you specifically?

**Fritz:** I no longer have that in front of me. But in the fifth paragraph, does it no longer reference exhibit b?

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**Patty Rueter, Office of Emergency Management:** The ordinance doesn't have a exhibit b. The resolution has an exhibit b. And -- well, originally.

**Fritz:** What -- has the application for the grant already been submitted?

**Merlo:** No, not yet. No.

**Fritz:** So there will be a different letter of commitment that doesn't reference either -- doesn't reference exhibit a which talked about what we're going to do with the grant?

**Merlo:** No, commissioner. There is no -- we haven't sent in the application so we can certainly amend any letter of commitment that will be part of that application process to Oregon emergency management.

**Adams:** And your concern is that the neighborhood coalitions have been signed up to doing so.

**Fritz:** Yes, and they're independent and nonprofit. We can't in a grant application to the state or federal government commit them to do something we haven't asked them to do.

**Merlo:** To reiterate, we're not directing, asking them to do anything. We're saying we're going to work with them as part of our public involvement process. There's no "ask" of them. Or task, I should say.

**Fritz:** The previous task they would come up with the map and do action items.

**Rueter:** If they chose to. The attachment b that you're referring to for the ordinance that is to authorize the signing of the letter of commitment to apply for the grant, it states that the letter of commitment is only that we will as a city commit to 25% of the grant given to us and that's the commitment. That we will pay in kind or however, 25% of the total cost.

**Adams:** Citywide?

**Merlo:** We're required to provide a maximum contribution for the grant. So it would be assistance with the public involvement process.

**Fritz:** Since this is referencing the ordinance, attachment b was -- referenced exhibit a, so we -- I agree, if we're sending in a letter saying we're going to do a 25% match of city and staff time, that's fine. If it references the specifics in exhibit a, that's the problem.

**Rueter:** I don't know -- no, the -- this attachment a is an idea that we're proposing. We don't know if we're going to get this at all for this project. We have to have a letter of commitment saying we will provide 25% match. Then we're working out the scope of work of how that funding will be actually spent. It is for public involvement process, related to the risk reduction strategy. It is the -- I have proposed these items, but it has not been confirmed, there's no obligation. There's -- this is a letter of commitment that the city will take responsibility for matching at 25% level.

**Adams:** So the legislative intent is to use this proposed concept for the purposes of federal government decision making, but they don't view it as word-for-word. They view it as the idea but not word-for-word.

**Merlo:** Mayor, it's our certification we'll provide a 25% cash or in-kind contribution.

**Fritz:** I think it's helpful to strike the reference to exhibit a in that letter exhibit b. If a grant writer -

**Merlo:** We haven't gotten the grant yet. I'm not sure where you're referencing, but we'll take care of it.

**Fritz:** And secondly, in the new item 6, the proposed \$26,000 will be contribution. I think it will be part of the contribution because obviously, your staff will be working to a greater extent than required to just that. I move that it's part of the fund's contribution. Make that a friendly amendment.

**Rueter:** The contribution to -- well, the meaning of that is that this is -- the public involvement process is a collaborative process of all city bureaus. We're trying to get all city bureaus to work together for a safer city and we're trying to find out what actions are all the bureaus doing in the different areas of town that not only maybe pull weeds, but also protect or create a safer city and we're trying to find out through this process how we can combine this effort. When you say we

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cannot do a public involvement process for \$26,000, I agree. But offering up \$26,000 worth of work on a combined effort of all city bureaus, so we go out with the water bureau, the fire bureau, and office of neighborhoods and we go out and talk to the public about what is it that they could do. How do they want to work together or how can we all work together with what we're doing currently, with how we operate? How can we refine our ability and so that's what -- it's a contribution.

**Fritz:** I'm saying it's only part of your contribution. You're going to be doing a lot more staff work other than this grant.

**Rueter:** Yeah.

**Adams:** So did you move your amendment?

**Fritz:** She accepted it as a friendly amendment.

**Adams:** Did you move the underlying amendments and did we vote for it? You moved all the amendments? Do we have to do them separately?

**Adams:** I heard commissioner Fish move the amendments for the ordinance. Is there a second?

**Fritz:** Second.

**Adams:** Moved and seconded. Anyone wish to testify? Please call the vote.

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Thank you, aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. Amendment is approved. Can you -- is there a motion to move the -- do you want to testify? We're just amending right now.

\*\*\*\*\*: That's fine.

**Adams:** Moved and seconded. Anyone wish to testify on the amendment to the resolution? Sue, please call the vote on the motion to amend the resolution.

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Thank you, aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** Aye. The amendments will serve as the basis for the further consideration. Has anyone signed up to testify on either the ordinance or the resolution? Please come forward. Thank you. Welcome back.

\*\*\*\*\*: Thank you, thank you.

**Adams:** Give us your first and last name.

**Linda Bauer:** Linda bauer, citizen. The clerk is passing around a paper and it has on it a pink line right here. This pink line is an outfall to Johnson Creek. And in the water bureau staff's words, they may be out-falling, a Missoula outfall -- and another staff, equivalent to a thousand-year event. Out-falling to this outfall right here and as far as I know, there are absolutely no plans to let anybody living along the pink lines know that that flood is coming.

**Adams:** Can I ask you a couple of clarifying questions and we'll give you more time. When you say Missoula --

**Bauer:** That's the water bureau staff analogy.

**Adams:** In reference to what?

**Leonard:** An ancient flood that happened eons --

**Adams:** I know that, are they referring to something like that happening in the future?

**Bauer:** Yes.

**Adams:** And why would that happen?

**Bauer:** If there was an emergency overflow.

**Adams:** Ok, an emergency overflow of -- Powell Butte? Ok. And your concern is that -- that that be given some attention as part of the risk mitigation process we've been talking about and part of that include notification of potentially impacted property owners?

**Bauer:** Absolutely.

**Adams:** Thank you.

**Bauer:** Thank you.

**Adams:** Appreciate it. Anyone else wish to testify? Really, I want to drag this as long as I can.

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**Leonard:** You're doing an excellent job. [laughter]

**Adams:** I had help. Would you please call the vote on -- let's do it for the ordinance.

**Roll on Item 1607.**

**Leonard:** Aye.

**Fritz:** Linda's testimony is an example of why i'm concerned about the public outreach for this plan.

When this goes to the neighbors, there's going to be multiple citizens concerned about the particular hazards in their area and they're going to want to amend the plan. Beyond the modest request from the grant, we're going to have to grapple with how we're going to do the public involvement for this plan, which it's a little disappointing it wasn't done as part of the plan, that's a great time to get people energized and help form the plan, rather than just commenting on the plan. I really appreciate the commitments of the poem staff to make sure as it moves forward that neighbors are engaged and all communities in Portland are fully engaged. Our citizens are perhaps treasured and -- our most treasured and natural resources and for the citizens to be involved in emergency management and disaster planning is crucial. I appreciate the amendments. Aye.

**Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** I'd like to thank commissioner Fritz for helping to polish and clarify this. This ordinance. Aye. [gavel pounded] approved. Can you please call the vote on the amendment -- amended resolution.

**Roll on Item 1588.**

**Leonard:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Adams:** I look forward to hearing from david shaff what he said when he -- what he meant when he said "missoula-like flood." aye. [gavel pounded] we're adjourned for the week. Happy holidays, everybody.

**Fritz:** Thank you very much.

At 3:57 p.m. Council adjourned.