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OFFICIAL MINUTES

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS $\mathbf{29^{TH}}$ **DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2010** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

Commissioner Fish arrived at 9:34 a.m.

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

Item No. 1291 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

		Disposition:
	COMMUNICATIONS	_
1279	Request of Michael Van Kleeck to address Council regarding the role the City can play in improving Portland's education (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
	TIMES CERTAIN	
1280	TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Accept the Master Plan for Leach Botanical Garden as a guide for future development and management of the garden (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Fish) 20 minutes requested	
	Motion to accept Plan: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Mayor Adams. (Y-4)	36817
	(Y-4)	
1281	TIME CERTAIN: 9:50 AM – Transmit results of recent City audit work by Audit Services Division, Office of the City Auditor (Report introduced by Auditor Griffin-Valade) 20 minutes requested	PLACED ON FILE
1282	TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM – Appoint Aneshka Dickson to the Portland Development Commission for a term to expire July 9, 2013 (Report introduced by Mayor Adams) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	CONFIRMED
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	CONSENT AGENDA - NO DISCUSSION	
1283	Appoint Kirk Ranzetta to the Historic Landmarks Commission for a partial term to expire October 1, 2014 (Report introduced by Mayor Adams and Commissioner Leonard)	CONFIRMED
	(Y-4)	

	Mayor Sam Adams	
1284	Reappoint Linda Robinson, Keith Thomajan and Julie Vigeland to the Portland Parks Board for terms to expire August 31, 2013 (Report)	CONFIRMED
	(Y-4)	
*1285	Authorize grant agreement with Catholic Charities for street level gang outreach from September 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 (Ordinance)	184127
	(Y-4)	
*1286	Authorize grant agreement with the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization for street level gang outreach from September 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 (Ordinance)	184128
	(Y-4)	
*1287	Authorize grant agreement with the Native American Youth and Family Center for street level gang outreach from September 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 (Ordinance)	184129
	(Y-4)	
	Bureau of Planning & Sustainability	
*1288	Authorize Director of the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Northwest Service Academy to provide AmeriCorps placement to support multifamily recycling and outreach program and provide for \$12,000 payment (Ordinance)	184130
	(Y-4)	
1289	Amend ordinance to change effective date of amendments to Northwest District Plan and Official Zoning and Comprehensive Plan maps in portion of Northwest Portland (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 183915)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 6, 2010 AT 9:30 AM
	Bureau of Police	
*1290	Authorize a contract with Central City Concern in an amount not to exceed \$911,077 to support services of Hooper's Sobering Station and CHIERS roving response van (Ordinance)	184131
	(Y-4)	
*1291	Amend the Portland Police Bureau's Relocation Policy for sworn officers (Ordinance)	REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
*1292	Accept and appropriate a \$155,445 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs for the FY2010 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program for digital evidence photo processing (Ordinance)	184132
	(Y-4)	
	Bureau of Transportation	

*1293	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with TriMet for design and construction of transit system safety improvements (Ordinance)	184133
	(Y-4)	
*1294	Designate a portion of property owned by Portland Parks & Recreation located at 1720 SW Front Ave as public right-of-way and assign it to the Bureau of Transportation (Ordinance)	184134
	(Y-4)	
1295	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation to revise the funding contributions and extend construction and project completion dates for the 47th and Alderwood Signals Project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 52869)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 6, 2010 AT 9:30 AM
	Office of Management and Finance – Internal Business Services	
*1296	Pay claim of Earl Hall (Ordinance)	104125
	(Y-4)	184135
*1297	Pay claim of Donna Milrany (Ordinance)	10/12/
	(Y-4)	184136
	Commissioner Dan Saltzman Position No. 3	
*1298	Amend contract with Keith Carlson Design to provide additional graphic design services for the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000945)	184137
	(Y-4)	
*1299	Amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for the support of the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000956)	184138
	(Y-4)	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
*1300	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality for the Columbia Slough Sediment Program (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 36553)	184139
	(Y-4)	
1301	Authorize the Bureau of Environmental Services to execute an easement for the East Lents Floodplain Restoration Project No. E07384 and authorize payment (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 6, 2010 AT 9:30 AM
1302	Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the Argyle & 13th Pump Station Remodel Project No. E08874 (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 6, 2010 AT 9:30 AM

1303	Amend contract with KPFF for additional work and compensation for South	PASSED TO
	Airport Basin Phase 4 Project No. E06790 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 37735)	SECOND READING OCTOBER 6, 2010 AT 9:30 AM
	Commissioner Randy Leonard	
	Position No. 4	
	Bureau of Development Services	
*1304	Adopt the State of Oregon, 2010 Editions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code and the Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code (Ordinance; amend Code Sections 24.10.040 and 27.01.030)	184140
	(Y-4)	
	Portland Fire & Rescue	
*1305	Authorize Memorandum of Understanding with Clark County Fire and Rescue and Vancouver Fire Department for cooperation in preparing a Regional Maritime Security Scoping Project (Ordinance; Contract No. 33000040)	184141
	(Y-4)	
	Commissioner Amanda Fritz Position No. 1	
	Office of Healthy Working Rivers	
*1306	Authorize a Funding and Participation Agreement with the Natural Resource Trustees for the Portland Harbor Injury Assessment process (Ordinance)	184142
	(Y-4)	
	Commissioner Nick Fish	
	Position No. 2	
	Portland Parks & Recreation	
*1307	Authorize contract with Centennial School District for Afterschool At-Risk Meal and Snack Program (Ordinance)	184143
	(Y-4)	
	REGULAR AGENDA	
	Mayor Sam Adams	
	Bureau of Police	
*1308	Authorize settlement between the Portland Police Association and the City of Portland through its Portland Police Bureau regarding employment claims (Ordinance)	184144
	(Y-4)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Financial Services	

*1309	Grant preliminary approval for the issuance of one or more series of Recovery Zone Facility Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$31,000,000 for the financing of the Meier & Frank Project (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested (Y-4)	184145
	Office of Management and Finance – Human Resources	
*1310	Ratify a successor Labor Agreement with Oregon AFSCME Council 75 Local 189-2 for terms and conditions of employment of represented employees in the Bureau of Emergency Communications bargaining unit (Ordinance)	184146
	(Y-4)	

At 11:32 a.m., Council adjourned.

LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADEAuditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love Clerk of the Council

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WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA THERE WAS NO MEETING

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SEPTEMBER 29, 2010 9:30 AM

Adams: How many of you have attended council chamber meetings? Raise your hand. For those of you who have not, there's no screaming or shouting or clapping. If you like something, you can do the jazz hands. If you don't, you're welcome to do this. If you see someone you know, you can wave at them. We try to keep the forum an equal -- a forum that's equally open and supportive of all points of view. If you want to sign in, if you want to speak, you need to sign in on one of the sign-in sheets out front and we'll call people in the order they signed up. The last thing, you'll have three minutes to speak and we only want your first and last name. If you're a lobbyist or represent an organization, not belong to it, but speak on its behalf, you are required to declare that as well. And we're just waiting for a quorum. You all know amanda Fritz? This is kimberly snyder. [laughter] oh, we haven't said hello to our fantastic council clerk. How are you?

Moore-Love: I'm good.

Adams: Good morning. How was your weekend? [laughter]

Moore-Love: Very good. I had a good weekend.

Adams: Really? Do anything exciting. Have a good meal any where?

Moore-Love: I went wine tasting. In dundee. At argyle.

Adams: Oh, that's fancy. Usually people say that the third glass is the best glass. I think we can do the communications. Oops. [gavel pounded] city council will come to order. It is wednesday, september 29th, it's 9:30 a.m. Karla, can you please call the roll. [roll call]

Adams: We have three time certains. And before we begin, I want to ask that -- are we doing yours first? Why don't, can you both come on up. I'm extremely pleased and honored to read the following proclamation. Whereas, culture draws us together in common purpose and celebration and Oregon's 1300 arts, heritage and humanities non-profits and other centers and heritage sites are the hearts of our communities and whereas, the Oregon cultural trust presents Oregon days of culture, october 1st through the 8th. During national arts and humanities month to encourage ordinances to celebrate, participate and give to Oregon culture and whereas, october 8th, 2010, marks the eighth anniversary of Oregon's innovative cultural tax credit, encouraging new and private investment in the Oregon culture and whereas, the Oregon cultural trust is a product of small public policy and an example of what makes Oregon a proud thought leader nationwide and whereas, supporting cultural nonprofits and the Oregon cultural trust is vital to preserving the past, sustaining the present and the future. Now, i, sam Adams, mayor of Portland, city of roses, do proclaim october 1st through 8th, 2010, and to celebrate the vibrancy and depth and ensure the future vitality of arts and cultural and humanities organizations. Congratulations.

Kimberly Howard: Thank you. [applause]

Howard: Do I say a few words now?

Adams: Why, I was told we had to be ready to describe --

Fish: cultural confession

Adams: Something that made an early mark on you. So I think we'll start with you.

Fish: Thank you.

Fish: Maybe it was my presentation. Let me try this again.

Adams: You should be standing up and dancing. I need a little cymbal.

Fish: Fish, blind as a bat, only paintings he can see are in the abstract. I thought it was good. [laughter] I got some props at home and I realize it just doesn't translate very well. You can clap for that one. [applause]

Adams: That was nice. Brief.

Fish: Actually, it was a haiku. But you knew that.

Adams: Well, of course. What a wonderful haiku. Commissioner Leonard, your haiku.

Leonard: I don't have a haiku but [inaudible]

Howard: Very nice.

Leonard: I think people need to drink a little bit. It's always been the key to my success.

Fish: It's a combination of singing and drinking.

Adams: And i've heard commissioner Fritz sing and she's got a really great voice.

Fritz: We did an impromptu national anthem. My cultural confession, when I first came to the united states, I did not enjoy pumpkin pie and having raised three native born Oregonians, Portlanders, I became an artist at carving the pumpkin at halloween and discovered how delicious the betty crocker recipe is. And even though the kids are grown, I diligently carve the pumpkin.

Howard: That's great.

Adams: Well, my first run in with culture was a traumatic one. Yeah. I had been assigned to go to a babysitter, at some age. I don't remember exactly what age. And she had a well stocked babysitter room, and you know, gave us pens and we were able to write on the -- what I later learned was paper. And we would write on the paper. And it was on the wall. And I thought, this is great. I'd never done it before. And so I did that a lot. And took one home. I didn't know that you couldn't take the pens home. And then I was so excited by being able to draw, I drew on my wall in my bedroom. And I learned that that was wrong. [laughter] really wrong. And three coats of paint later, we got it cleaned up. So that's my first brush with culture. But I didn't let it harm me.

Howard: That sounds great. Well, I want to welcome everybody in this room to have as much fun confessing your early cultural experiences or recent ones. My own is, as I travel around the state, as the trust manager for the Oregon cultural trust, I like to listen to books on tape at the same time thanks to the Multnomah county libraries to go. And the most recent book i've been listening to and this is truly a confession, is "new moon," the second book in the twilight series. That's a big confession.

Adams: This is not high art.

Fish: This is publicly broadcast, by the way.

Howard: I want to say for my english teachers who might be listening from california, I still do read good literature, but when i'm listening, I like to zone out.

Adams: What's your favorite character.

Howard: Am I a jacob or edward supporter? I'm for the under-wolf, if you will. I wanted to welcome everyone because I feel that the cultural trust is more than the \$21,000, the five cultural partners and the 45 counties and tribal coalitions and the 57 development grantees this year. The cultural trust is all Oregonians doing our part to ensure that culture remains a vibrant component in our state. It is preserving and celebrating our past. It is celebrating our creativity and our innovation and imagining of the future and exploring with curiosity and civic-mindedness our present. Culture is part of our daily lives as witnessed by our city council members and mayor who have made cultural concessions and it goes beyond the arts and carving pumpkins, it goes no visiting historic cemeteries and going to humanities and checking a book out of a library is a very simple cultural act that we do very much weekly, monthly for some of us. And buying a book at pop-ups is a cultural experience. On behalf of the Oregon cultural trust, I ask you on october 1st, through october 8th, eight-day week, just like the beatles sang, we're going to celebrate and give, because you know what? Oregon is a amazing state. We're innovative and curious. We all came

here at some point, whether it was 100 years ago or two minutes ago because. Vibrancy and read the blog posts from people around our state, and find an event that's happening over 5 -- over 500 events across the state and celebrate and participate and give. Thank you.

Adams: Great job. Thank you very much for all of your work and here's your -- [laughter]

Fish: Mayor, may I put a plug in for work for art?

Adams: Please.

Fish: And kimberly, thank you for the presentation. So the mayor's kicking off at lunch today, a presentation on charitable giving at the city and urging city employees to sign up for automatic deductions and one of the options is called "work for art" where a sum of money is deducted from the paychecks and end -- deducted and at the end of year it adds up. If someone who works for the city signs up for work for art, let's say they give \$100 over the course of the year, if they then go to the Oregon cultural trust website and make a \$100 donation to the trust, on the tax return next year - this is where it gets complicated -- they get to write off both contributions but the \$100 they gave to the trust is -- comes back as a \$100 tax credit. That contribution doesn't cost you nothing. You get it back. The \$100 that you contributed to the work for art is a tax deduction and you contribute to the statewide endowment for the arts so we urge people to do both. Contribute to your favorite arguments organization, nonprofit and there's 1200 listed on the website and then turn around and do a matching contribution to the Oregon cultural trust and you'll get it right back on your tax return. Thank you, mayor.

Adams: We'll move to communications. We have one. Can you please read the title for 1279. **Item 1279.**

Adams: Is michael here? Hi. Please come forward. Glad you're here. In the name --

Michael Van Kleeck: I think i've been here enough. Last time I was here I read a poem so it's nice to have another council meeting starting with a poem. I'm here to talk about education. Something that's dear to you, commissioner Leonard, which is marshall high school and Portland public schools latest restructuring effort. I'm a small business owner in Portland and participated on the Oregon quality communication and the Portland education cabinet and wanted to talk about how the state of education here is hurting my ability to do business. Lincoln high, largely considered the model school of students that enter college from lincoln high, 11% graduate. With what happened monday night s -- with Portland public schools. My -- end the turf wars between Oregon education association and Portland police public schools and break down the silos and focus on the children and end the wars claiming our children as victims. Marshall is perhaps the best performing in the district. I work on the quality education commission and we did a -- marshall is an outlier in terms of level of performance given the demographics of their students.

Van Kleeck: It's a great school. I volunteered at both marshall and franklin last year. At franklin, they were openly hostile to the community and volunteers. But marshall is far away so it's an easy target when somebody says they're doing something different. I came from a district when I was a kid, my high school was closed. My first exposure to politics was five years of keeping my high school open. It's one of the youngest and best maintained buildings in the district and it's hard to explain why the school district would look to close marshall and I think now is the time for city council to get aggressive and take the lead to keep marshall open. I've got two recommendation what is council can do. Number one, convene a community effort to create a new school district around marshall. Marshall would be a great school to be a charter school, but the Portland public schools make starting a public charter school the hardest of any school district in the state. It takes two years minimum. I tried to start one last year. And there were roadblocks everywhere. That's one thing that the council dock is convene people to create a new district around Marshal-- can do, is convene people. And think the dutch model, forget what's happening with Portland public. Let's start a new centralized high school in downtown Portland. Do like in amsterdam. Some of the best

performing students come out of amsterdam. Small schools within the schools. Why don't we do something like that. I invite you to take the lead.

Adams: Can you send me some links to the last amsterdam process? High school, you just described?

Van Kleeck: Sure i'll send you information I think it's the rembrandt high school. I'd be happy to.

Adams: Thanks very much and thanks for your involvement in all of those groups.

Van Kleeck: Thanks, council.

Adams: All right. Anyone wish to pull any item from the consent agenda? I'm pulling 1291 back to my office, unless objection. Any others? Karla, can you please call the vote on the consent agenda? **Item 1279 roll.**

Leonard: Aye. Fritz: Aye. Fish: Aye.

Adams: Aye. Consent agenda is approved. We have three time certains, starting with -- would you please read resolution item 1280.

Item 1280.

Fish: Thank you, mayor Adams. We have two panels today. The first is brett horner and nancy gronowski. The second panel will be gay gregor and I believe tim brooks is here. Thank you both. Leach botanical garden is something of a secret garden in Portland. Located in the woodland between beggar's tick wildlife refuge and the powell butte wildlife area. To share this secret with east Portland residents and highlight the place as a unique Portland asset. We have new members joining the board and new partnerships and new funding that will be available to the lents area. There's a new executive director, david porter, who has joined us, but whose official start date is not until next week. We'll start by introducing brett and nancy and then have a second panel and then questions. Welcome.

Brett Horner: Thank you, commissioner Fish, mayor and other commissioners and good morning. As nick mentioned, leach botanical garden does play an important role in our city's open space system. It's one of several unique gardens and one of only a few in east Portland. As commissioner Fish also mentioned, it's a exciting time for the garden and the staff to come forward. As the parks is happy with the master plan and starting to implemented almost immediately this year and next. With identified funding and building upon recent acquisitions and progress made over the last several years. The master plan will help the garden leverage and expand partnerships in the coming years. I'm go example to hand things over to nancy who has the presentation and brought this plan to finalization after much hard work with our former director, david, who started the master plan.

Fish: Are we going to be referring to this now?

Horner: It's in the power show.

Nancy Gronowski: I'm going to give you a brief tour of the master plan which you have copies of and you have the copies of the power point i'm going to go through. We'll do that now.

Fish: Thank you.

Gronowski: We had a planning process that involved the -- a steering committee made up of people from the neighborhood groups, the citizens and staff, there were open houses and briefings and when the draft plan was done, david brought it to that point and I took over and did revisions and those were reviewed by the new leach board and we made modifications in the plan you have in front of you. As you know, this is a significant piece of park property. And it's built around the home and garden the john and lilla leach. And she was a renowned botanist and it's an important piece of the publicly owned green spaces and an important habitat and sits on the bank of johnson creek. The location is right in the middle here. Whoops -- oh, darn. Ok. Well, we'll go back. It's in the middle of these things and shows you what the other sites are around it plus a large willamette national cemetery at the bottom of the slide. The site itself is as you can see, quite wooded. It's 16 acres, johnson creek flows through the bottom southern part of it. The function of it is as a botanical garden that focuses on plants of northwest plus a historic leach collection and

functions as a museum that displays and educates visitors about john and lilla leach. This is the proposed master plan and we're go kind of walk through a number of these things as we move through the next couple of slides. It's in the back of your document, if you want to see the 11-by-17 and it's on the board that's open the side here. So the proposed site concepts are to develop a new entry up on the north and upper end of it. And develop that area for education and classes and small groups that will come to the garden there. Expanding the trails and the circulation system is very important and we'll talk a little bit more about the new collections that are going to be added to and expanded in the garden. So there's the upper garden, which I just mentioned. And there's a pacific northwest forest area and we're going to make improvements to that area and make it more representative of our normal habitats. And the riparian zone is along johnson creek and we've been working with beson projects upstream and downstream and they're using that as a education resource. And there's a nursery and we'll maintain it in the current location and use it as a place for selling plants for additional revenue and research and a demonstration greenhouse. The historic leach plant collection is around the house and that will be improved by thinning and restoration and maintaining the garden's emphasis on the indigenous plants of the pacific northwest. Education is very key to the leach friends and mission of the leach garden. That will be expanding those -- by the way, the photos in here, are not necessarily at leach now. It's what we hope to develop in the future. These are just kind of -- this is an idea what we would like to see there. And improve the interpretive signage and information that's available to the visitors. As far as the facilities go, we will continue to I don't the manor house for receptions and restore that heritage -- restore it to the former heritage and as a museum. It will be an educational facility in the garden area.

Fish: We should note that lots of people get married at that site. There's receptions indoors and outdoors and it's a lovely location to do an event, if someone is watching. [laughter] charge a small fee, of course, but it's still a bargain.

Gronowski: And the administration building will be improved and updated so it can function better as office space and classrooms and there's a couple of small buildings, a stone cabin and residence. The carriage house, which is around the area where there's currently weddings will be renovated for more storage and more outdoor shelters to I don't for education. Access and parking are important. There's a small parking lot right now and we look to making that one of the first improvements, to improve the parking on the upper area and have a whole new entryway. That's easier to get to and make it is easier to access the gardens and safer. And to get the circulation system throughout the garden improved. It's a little hazardous right now. We look to improving the trails and making them more accessible to people both from a ada standpoint and a general standpoint. And develop a new pedestrian connection bridge over johnson creek that would connect the north and south sides. And we look to -- a little bit more acquisition in the northeast corner of the property and expand the collection and provide for a caretaker's residence in the future. There's the plan again. We just had a brief tour. Implementation has begun with a board and we have a phased plan in the documents and we'll be developing a business plan to implement these improvements. Thank you.

Fish: Thank you for an outstanding presentation. We'll see if there's any council questions and if not, we'll go to the next panel. How would --

Adams: How would you describe -- or how would you sell someone on visiting leach garden as opposed to any other garden -- and we have so many in Portland? I'm curious, how is it different than the others?

Gronowski: I would say it's unique in that it emphasizes the pacific northwest portion of it as the botanic features that you can do in your own home garden and shows you how you can take our natural habitat and without bringing in lots of exotic things, do something lovely and appropriate and friendly for the wildlife and it's significant in that lilla leach was an important botanic explorer in our part of the country. Founded --

Fish: I beg your pardon.

Gronowski: She founded a lovely plant that they thought was an azalea at one point. She was astute at finding these things.

Fish: There's a surprising number of homes and cottages and things in the park system that as the system has grown, we've acquired them. And this particular home is a gem and it overlooks the body of water and it's quiet. I tell people, if you're going to go out to the lents area and make a day, this should be on your list to spend an hour or so. Very calm. It's out of the way. And it's unique. **Adams:** Any other discussion? Thank you very much.

Fish: Thank you both. Mayor, we have one more panel. Gay gregor who has worked tirelessly as board chair and tim brook, who is a member of the master plan committee and a board member of the leach botanical garden. Welcome both. Thank you. Mayor and councilmember, I want to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the leach botanical garden master plan and first of all, I want to take this opportunity to thank Portland parks and recreation for being willing to take this on and supporting the development of a new master plan for leach garden and recognize the members of the advisory committee. Tim and several others here today. They worked tirelessly with david over the better part of three years to develop and refine this plan, and then finally, i'd like to thank again nancy. Because when david got a wild hair and moved to hawaii, nancy was the one who stepped forward and shepherded the plan through review and production.

Fish: If there are other committee members here, can they raise their hands so we can acknowledge them? Thank you for joining us today.

Gay Gregor: It took a dedicated team of people to get this job done, and the current board and staff at leach are very, very appreciative of their effort. As nancy explained, the plan defines the garden's primary focus as three-fold. First, a botanic garden that features northwest native plants and to my knowledge, there isn't another one in the state that's focused on the state's native plants and an educational resource for children and adults alike and a place to keep the amazing story of john and lilla leach alive. Continuing to refine that focus, I think is a very, very important thing do as we move forward. We'll be continuing to hone in on that. To get -- to be able to explain in answer to the mayor's question, really, really special and important place. What is it that we do better than anyone else here at leach garden? The first phase is made possible by the funding for the lents urban renewal area and we're excited getting started on that. In completion of the first phrase, I think it's a critical element in the long-term business plan for the garden because it expands our opportunities for revenue generation and serve as a springboard for development of a capital campaign that will make a phase two and phase three, etc., possible. And provides an important opportunity to engage with our partners and immediate neighbors and with the broader community in the evolution of the garden. Development of strategic partnerships was a key recommendation in the plan, and they're already playing an important role at leach garden. Our new partnership with Portland ought dawn has audubon, this is an ambitious plan, it's not going to happen -- completion isn't going to happen any time soon but we're very delighted to have the guidance of our new executive director, david porter, as we move forward and david is here today. I'd like 0 you to stand and say hello.

Fish: Welcome, david. **Adams:** Hi, david.

Fish: And by the way, is janey iberson here?

Gregor: She's not. **Fish:** She's the interim.

Gregor: The interim director, right. And she's great to work with in these past months. Earlier, leach gardens friends board and Portland parks and recreation completed an operating agreement within we're looking forward to working in collaboration with parks as we face channels ahead and as we move forward -- face challenges ahead, and we want to thank you, council, for your

continued support and I want to invite all of you to walk with us in the garden whenever it's convenient for you. It's good for the soul.

Fish: Thank you thank you very much. Tim, welcome?

Tim Brooks: Thank you, tim brooks. Mayor Adams and commissioners. I want to clarify one point. And i'm not on the board of leach garden friends, however if gay has her way, I will be soon. She's been working me very, very hard.

Fish: Sorry, it was a subliminal message.

Gregor: I asked him to do that.

Brooks: On behalf of the 11-member steering committee, I want to thank you for this opportunity and i'm glad to see that some of the folks made it. Linda robinson is here and others. This committee was made up of neighborhood representatives, watershed councilmembers, friends groups, as well as garden volunteers, and that's really where I got my start in 1985, I worked with bonnie brunko, a curator at the time, on documenting all of the plants -- the entire plant collection of leach botanical garden. And it was really the native aspect that's been referred to that gay and others referred to that got me started and interested in plants. I went on no landscape architecture following that experience and also is what kept me hooked all of these 25 years on the garden. It's -- I worked -- I served on the education committee there for 10 years. More recently, of course, working on the master plan. But it's this native piece that really has hooked me and it's kind of -that's what my life has been about ever since. I understand, I don't have a lot of type, so let me zero in on a few of the many topics that the committee covered. And the first of it is on page 8 of your document, is the little gateway into the garden. Sleepy hollow. And I think one of the -- as commissioner Fish mentioned, one of the most appealing aspects of the garden is its hidden quality. And at the same time, it's both a blessing and curse and one of the things that the committee spent a lot of time on, how do we attract more people to the garden? Even today, I meet people who have never heard of this garden or that there's even a botanical garden in Portland. So it's -- it's always eye-opening for me, as well. We really don't have -- we haven't gotten the message out about the garden. And one of the things -- there are a number of things that the committee talked about in terms of how we might go about attracting people and beginning with better signage on the streets. at the entryways within the garden, but also expanding to really try and draw in the local community, creating some of the neighborhood park elements, for example, maybe picnic shelter. Things ha would attract our core constituency, say, within five miles of the garden, and other aspects like a community garden were discussed and some bigger attractions like a -- well, there was a zipline contemplated. I think we nixed that. And then a cedar canopy block. Which I was pleased see made it into the final version and something that came to mind as we walked through this lush cedar grove which reaching down into the riparian corridor and crosses wetlands and on the banks of johnson creek, well, you could just build this walkway out -- kind of out from the cedars, going from the floor to the ceiling of the forest without actually taking a step. Just walking out on this horizontal boardwalk with places for groups to meet, educational events, whatever, and then you end up on -- at the banks of the johnson creek, looking up and down the riparian corridor, just a fascinating potential experience there and something you wouldn't find anywhere nearby. So a number of other aspects. Suspension bridge across the creek that would avoid the need to go out on the bridge. There's currently a bridge that gets taken out during the winter due to floodwaters but something that would actually hang there above any possible flood elevation.

Fish: Is this bridge managed by the county? -- sorry, bad joke.

Brooks: I don't know how much --

Fritz: He's ignoring you, commissioner Fish.

Fish: All great ideas and one of our challenges after we adopt this plan, is to -- is to build momentum to a bond measure where we'll have dollars to invest in addition to the capital dollars

that have been set aside within the urban renewal district. We share your excitement about the possibility.

Brooks: I wanted to echo gay's comment about the audubon partnership and how important that is to also, attracting more people to the garden. This garden is not only a wildlife sanctuary, but much more than that. It's really a major hub in a network of habitat patches and corridors and this map that was shown only reflects a very small piece of what's out there. Just of the map is your 600-acre powell butte nature park and then you've got new acquisitions, clatsop butte and wildlife habitat areas throughout here and this is a key component of that so bringing in audubon serves multiple purposes. Drawing more visitors, as well as really the educational and wildlife piece. And then operations, a key part of that. We can't rely simply on grants and rentals. We've got to look for a stable funding source and this is a key, beginning piece of that. And it's much appreciated.

Fish: Thank you very much.

Fritz: I have a couple of questions. Actually a comment based -- sometimes when we adopt plans, people watching think we've committed to funding. And as commissioner Fish just alluded to, that's not always the case and I want to thank you both for your service here and, tim, you provide your professional expertise often in a volunteer capacity and I greatly appreciate that. And I hope you do consider being on the board and thank you for serving. And gay, you have served on -- as an employee of Portland parks and recreation for a long time and now you're serving in a volunteer capacity and it's evidence that our employees are deeply committed. After you're not getting paid for it, you're still taking a leadership role.

Gregor: Thank you very much.

Adams: Karla, anyone signed up to testify?

Moore-Love: Yes, two people.

Fish: Thank you.

Adams: Welcome back to the city council chambers. Glad you're here. How are you?

Meryl Redisch: Good. Thank you. Good morning.

Fish: And when tim alluded to it, hopefully you'll fill in the punch line of the new partnership there with audubon.

Redisch: I'll do my best. Should I go first? My name is mary redisch, the executive director for the audubon society of Portland and here speaking and representing audubon, who is very, very supportive of this master plan and we have a particular stake in the success of this plan and the success of leach botanical garden. And that's because beginning july 1st of this year, Portland audubon entered in a partnership with leach and Portland parks and established the east side location at the gardens and we have it staffed about four days a week. And already, we have hosted free family programs and conducted urban nature walks for some of the Portland's newest residents, youth from bhutan and nepal. Portland audubon has a lot of goals for being on the east side and they include extending or reach and expanding our programs to new and diverse audiences and we want to also add a value to the good work happening in east Portland, including what's happened at leach botanical garden. We want to support the vision of east Portland residents for a healthy environment and access to parks and natural areas and trails and finally, want to draw attention to leach botanical garden and promote it as a natural and cultural asset. And one that is worthy of investment. And Portland audubon is already investing. About \$200,000 over the next two years, to build a diverse program. Build a volunteer base, cultivate leaders from the community, so we're really -- we're serious about this and trust that city council is serious about it as well. So with that, just to let you know again, we wholeheartedly and enthusiastically support the master plan and hope you will do the same.

Fish: Thank you very much.

Fritz: Question. At the partnership with the youth from bhuhtan and nepal, did you have any community organizations helping with that?

Redisch: We found successful in the past and we partnered with organizing people, activating leaders for their environmental justice organization there and we partnered with them. And they recruited and helped organize kid and what we did is have our educators and environmental educators lead the trip along the springwater corridor.

Fritz: Terrific. Thank you.

Fish: And Linda robinson is a -- and linda is a highly recommended member of the parks board and gateway green and which the mayor and this council feel strongly about and linda, you're a treasure to our system, thank you for joining us today

Linda Robinson: Thank you. I couldn't resist coming. I'm excited about what's happening at leach garden and how this master plan will open it up for more partnerships and make it available and known in east Portland. I was so excited when merrill came to the east Portland parks coalition a year or two or more ago and asked, do you think people would like having us out here? And it's like -- yeah: And so -- and i'm excited about the -- the new entrance to the park. For those who come, by bicycle or bus, that street going down to the entrance is taking your life in your hands. You know, you get to the top of the hill and start down, you're suddenly on a windy country road with no ditch and it's just dropoff and a wall on the side. So making that accessible from the top and making it easily be able to get down to the other parts of the garden so the new path that connects is important. And we have to thank, you know, the metro and bond measure for making it possible to acquire those upper portions and double the size. The garden and make all of this possible. So it was because of the acquisition, the local share of the metro bond measure.

Fish: I'd -- I say this facetiously. But with the decline of the real estate values in our community, that's the only silver lining, it's reduced the cost of acquiring the land and some of the planned development not going forward, makes it easier to acquire that land.

Robinson: I support it wholeheartedly and look forward to using it and [inaudible] coming to council today.

Fish: Thank you very much. Mayor, we have a man that I would move for adoption.

Leonard: Second.

Adams: It's been moved and seconded. Any discussion? Karla, please call the vote.

Leonard: I am very pleased to support this. I've been to leach botanical garden a number of times and it's almost within walking distance of where I live and I highly treasure all that's gone into this. Aye.

Fritz: Thank you, commissioner Fish, for your leadership on this and the parks director, all of the parks folks who worked hard on this. Thanks to the audubon society for the new partnership. That's very exciting, and indeed, to the taxpayers of the metro region, as linda just noted, funded the purchase of additional land and it's good to see and note some of that land is being bought within the city of Portland, within the urban growth boundary and preserved forever and it's exciting to see the botanical garden that focuses on native Oregon plants and it's a good morning to be adopting this plan for the note for the culture of Oregon and very much a part of our cultural resources at leach botanical garden. Thank you for your good work. Aye.

Fish: So I very much appreciate the comment that a number of you made about the need to elevate leach's profile. Because in truth, we should be mentioning leach in the same breath we mention the japanese garden, the hoyt arboretum. They're all world class and the only difference is geography and access. But they're all world class. As eric santner, there's a special place in her heart for leach and from the beginning of my service in charge, she's had a particular desire to make sure we keep a good things going and provide the resources necessary.

Adams: I want to acknowledge her leadership and thank our planners. You knows are planners have tough jobs in city government because if they do their work well, they usually don't get much credit, but if something goes wrong, they're in the front line of take can the blame and the at parks, because of the size and scope, planners are vital. And with nancy and david and brett, we have

three of the best. And thank you for your work. And it reminds me that -- amanda, I think this is the fifth or sixth master plan, perhaps the fifth under my service, that's come to this council that involve old and -- bold and exciting projects on the east side and the bulk of them east of 82nd street. Three new parks in outer east we've acquired and now waiting to develop the master plans. A -- this vision -- a vision for cully, and a vision in the works for a upped lents park. And -updated lents park. What struck me about all of these, they have been neighborhood-based planning exercises, bringing people together. And all had a few bumps in the road. But at the time it comes to council, we've had beautiful visions with strong community support and that's a testament to the way you go about this process. I want to thank my team for their hard work and gay for her indie fatiguable work and thank you. And can, tim it, thank you for your passion and linda, you're always in the mix of good things happening in that area. And the new executive director, he we welcome and want to support you. There's 107 friends group that help us manage this jewel. Just like this that are made up of citizens and mostly volunteers who help manage in great system. We could not do it without groups like this. And so to the board and the volunteers, thank you very much. And I look forward to the day when leach is less a well-kept secret and more an essential destination for anyone who goes on the other side of the river to see the best we have to offer. Thank you all. Ave.

Adams: I love leach. I've been to a wedding there and numerous staff retreats there and had an opportunity to climb around and use the facilities. I'm -- so based on that, it -- what you're proposing very much rings to be smart and true. I would add one other thing to raise the visibility and that's to figure out how the gardens around the city, summer in the park system, some managed by nonprofits and better co-market each other so that the chinese classical garden is marketing the leach botanical garden and you rotate that around some way so that everybody benefits. We've got so many fantastic gardens, I just love to show them off. Oh, and thanks to your leadership, commissioner Fish, for getting it done. That gets us to 1281, which is a two-minute report by auditor griffin. I mean 20-minute report. [laughter] that's why we have a auditor. To check those numbers.

Item 1281.

Moore-Love: Read the item?

Adams: Sorry.

Lavonne Griffin-Valade, City Auditor: Good morning, lavonne griffin-valade, city auditor, I was not asked in advance to do this, but since i'm the sixth elected in the city, I would offer my culture confession today.

Adams: What is it?

Griffin-Valade: It is nothing silly. In eighth grade, I sang a solo for my graduation. "you'll never walk alone"

Adams: What is that? You'll never walk home?

Griffin-Valade: From a musical "you'll never walk alone".

Adams: Gary and the pace makers?

Griffin-Valade: Rogers & Hamerstein. My teacher in first grade would not let me sing in the trio singing "red river valley" because I was too loud.

Adams: You? Too loud?

Griffin-Valade: I know. I'm here to introduce a presentation on five recently released audits. Portland has a rich tradition of performance audits where independent auditors evaluate how well programs are meeting their goals and public dollars being spent. That tradition was established 27 years ago by a former city auditor who is known as the god mother of auditing. And this tradition allowed us to establish positive and cooperative interactions with city bureaus and city staff willingly on their doors and files to our reviews. The audit service division is recognized as a model of best practice in performance auditing in local governments, both locally and throughout

the country. The work that drummond kahn and the various team members will present include audits of the police bureau, fire bureau, emergency management, local stimulus efforts and a follow-up to a 2008 audit of construction contracting. In addition to these five reports, we have eight audits currently underway and we'll be issuing three other reports in the very near future. Including our audit of the implementation of the city's sap system. Our current audit schedule is ambitious, we agree and we look forward to being back in front of you soon to continue the discuss of -- discussion of audits and regarding the improvement and delivery of city services. And finally, the folks who do this work are well trained and experienced professionals who take their role as independent objective performance auditors very seriously. This organization and the public we serve are fortunate to have this team on board. I will turn it over to drummond, and he'll introduce the staff and reports. Thank you very much. Next time, I will sing a verse of "you'll never walk alone" and then -- [laughter] I only have two minutes.

Adams: I'll extend the time.

Drummund Kahn, Director of Audit Services, Auditor's office: Good morning, it's a pleasure to speak about the current work of the auditor services and office of the auditor. I'm here for the haiku. I'm the director of audit services. As lavonne mentioned our work is recognized as adding value to city processes to improve public accountability and inform decision makers. A mention, we do follow national auditing standards common to auditing offices across the u.s. That means the other offices can rely on our work, whether they're from the state of Oregon or other jurisdictions. We have a professional staff. Some of whom you'll meet. Each holds a degree or certificate or both and recognized for producing top reports by got the association of government accountants and local government auditors. Beyond the professionals who worked on today's audit. Several others, and you'll meet them. I want to thank robert, who is a public information specialist and directs or communication as we release audit reports. The first audit was released in may and the most recent, just today. These topics represent a range of issues facing government from police and fire to economic stimulus and emergency management and facilities and we plan a aggressive schedule as was discussed. We discussed follow-up work to make sure our audit recommendations were implemented and publish those results. Over the past three years, city managers have implemented over 90% of the recommendations we've made which reflects the positive results our auditing can have. That management agrees and we frame them in ways that they're able to take the steps to implement them. Today's first audit is on the controls and oversight that the narcotics use to train police dogs and one facet of the internal control work we do to make sure that processes are effective to meeting the goals of the city. I wanted to introduce christine and bob. Christine has worked in our office for more than seven years and brings experience from the budget office, the Oregon state budget office and the governor's office from the state of idaho and is a certified internal auditor and certified government professional and serves on the national association of government auditors and basketball mckay, in the auditor's office for 10 years in the Portland Multnomah progress board and experience working in Washington d.c. for a u.s. Senator and holds a master's degree in public education.

Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Office of City Auditor: I'm a senior management auditor in the audit services division and i'm going to give you a summary of the drugs that the police bureau uses for training purposes for the drug enforcement dogs. It was upon the question request of police bureau. They wanted to have us review procedures to see how we could strengthen their effort. This focused on the controls of the access to the controlled substances that the drug and vice division uses. We reviewed the damaged and missing drugs and looked at five years of division's log books to see how the procedures were implemented and looked at four other local jurisdictions to see what their policies were. We saw nothing indicated inappropriate use but many of the division's current policies needed to be followed more closely and others needed to be implemented. The key findings, Portland's proposed policy compared favorably with the other jurisdictions and

the proposed policy provided stronger controls over a few of the procedures could be strengthened. Also, better practices were needed to match the strength of the proposed procedures. For example, inventory check were done sporadically and officer's signatures were not always present in the logs. We made the following recommendations. Adopt the proposed standard operating procedure with a few modifications such as changing out the drugs more frequently so they were more fresh. In addition to improve implementation practices and monitoring which includes the recommendation to examine the inventory not only open a regularly scheduled basis but also a impromptu basis. They agreed with the findings and will implement the recommendations and I would like to note, our contacts in the police bureau, particularly the drugs and vice division were helpful and professional and we appreciated the access they provided us to the records and staff anything else? **Kahn:** And to borrow a medical analogy, this was almost like preventive medicine, where the police bureau came to us, identified concerns and asked us to look at the issue and as christine mentioned, helpful through the process. So a good process and good recommendations implemented by the folks we audited. Thank you our second audit, examined the local stimulus efforts of city. I'd like to introduce ken, he brings fire experience from the city of houston, texas. He holds a master's degree in business administration and graduate work in urban planning. Ken Gavette, Office of City Auditor: My name is ken, principle management auditor. Did you want to mention we also have copies of our reports available just in case there's a rising demand for these? We did bring a few copies.

Kahn: Didn't want to run out.

Gavette: We released the job creation stimulus program that city council announced back in january 2009. As I am sure you remember. This is an ambitious program intended to mitigate the effects of the economic recession. It was portrayed mainly as a fast tracking of \$500 million worth of construction projects but in reality, we know it was far reaching, including local business and development programs and housing projects. So we wanted to highlight that fact. It was not just construction. City council staff and the various bureaus moved quickly to improve and expand existing programs that would support that effort. That was good. On the construction side, the good news, we found that construction spending was up over previous years. So one of the main thrusts of the program, that is to get construction projects going quickly in order to hopefully produce jobs, was positive. Also, as of march 30, 2010, the cutoff date of our field work, the first quarter of this year. Four major construction projects initially proposed had been approved for construction and another two were in design and I would imagine that maybe more -- we haven't done a follow-up to this yet. So that's where that stood at that time. However, because there was no job creation methodology set up at the outset of the program, we were not able to identify the number of jobs actually created by this construction spending. Since then, the procurement services staff, we understand has developed a methodology and began requiring that the contractors report job creation numbers. On the economic development side, we found more mixed results. The two business finance programs, those were the equal opportunity fund and the quality jobs program, actually had declining activity. In response, pdc, said that this was actually just a continuing decline in these programs, since they had changed the quality jobs program from a grant to a loan in 20005. Obviously, grants are more popular than loans. They respond some of their other programs actually did better in 2009. That was good. The response from mayor Adams and commissioners Fish and Leonard agreed to implement a reliable jobs creation methodology and continue working on efforts to speed the processing contracts.

Kahn: Thank you. We both is paper copies available. All the reports are on the website at Portlandgovernment.gov /auditor. And we've begun tweeting as well. At Portland audits.

Adams: Wow.

Kahn: The tweeting --

Kahn: Twitter.com, Portlandaudits. That's my cultural experience. [laughter]

Kahn: Our next audit studied Portland emergency management. I'd like to introduce kari and jennifer. And worked as a city research analyst and holds a master's degree in public administration. Jennifer joined our office in 2008 after working as an auditor in the Oregon secretary of state's audit division and served as a researcher and program assistant at university of Oregon and president elect of the Portland association of government accountants.

Kari Guy,Office of City Auditor: Good morning, i'm kari and jennifer and I completed the audit on emergency management in may of this year. Like christine mentioned, this was not requested -- this was question requested and we had two primary objectives. Whether there was adequate oversight and then secondly, looking at specific emergency management tasks, planning, training and drills to see if they'd been implemented effectively. This touches so many different bureaus in the city and we received valuable insights and assistance from fire bureau, police bureau, water, transportation, bts, parks, really emergency management touched just about every part of the city. We found both positives and negatives. Management has been working to improve communications with various city bureaus and they've made progress in establishing a plan for an emergency coordination center and operations and some specific projects, however, we also found the overall governance structure was not working effect live. Rule roles and responsibilities were undefined and authority unclear.

Jennifer Scott, Office of City Auditor: We also found shortfalls in emergency planning, training and drills and public outreach. The city's basic emergency plans are outdated. Training and drills are infrequent. In addition, the public education and information efforts we reviewed lacked a consistent message or goal. We recommended that it was clarified for the city's emergency management programs and prepare a strategic plan to define emergency management goals. Once that's complete, we recommended poem define and document the goals for planning and training and public outreach program. Both the mayor and bureaus supported the audit recommendations and already begun implementing them.

Kahn: Thank you.

Kahn: Our fourth audit examined emergency response times. To present that is jenny and beth woodward. And bob mckay. Beth joined our office in 2006 following her experience at the Oregon department of environmental quality and bringing 17 years experience as an engineering manager at ch2m hill.

Scott: We reported in this audit on fire experience response time that the bureau's goal for reaching fire and medical emergencies is to arrive at the scene within five minutes and 90 -- it's a complicated goal. And we knew this because -- we knew they weren't meeting the goal for years because they had been reporting that, but we want to find out why. The goal matches the national standard for fire response time. Fire response time, as opposed to medical. We found in 75% of emergencies analyst analyzing all emergencies over the city. Portland firefighters reached the scene within five minutes and 20 seconds. When we calculated for structural fire emergencies, only, which is the most urgent fires, and at least five companies of firefighters respond to those incidents. the bureau did meet the goal of 90%. Arriving at 90% of incidents within that time. We found many reasons why some responses take longer than five minutes and 20 seconds. Travel distance is obviously linked to the number of stations and the location of stations, but when companies based at the nearest stations are busy on other incident, obviously, the distance increases for another company to travel there. Steep slopes are a factor. And takes longer for the -- sometimes takes longer for equipment to get up the steep slopes and other geographical issues. And transit, and speed bumps are a restraint. This number isn't in the report but there are over a how to speed bumps in Portland and there's other street development that affects street width that could affect fire response. Another factor was the increasing number of medical incidents in Portland and from firefighters' perspective, this means the uncertainty of the emergency status of some of those incidents and that's a factor because the bureau of safety practices require firefighters to consider

safety on route to incidents as well as safety of individuals at the scene. We also researched best practices for professional fire departments and found that Portland fire and rescue falls almost 19. Almost all of the 19 we identified. We recommended the commissioner in charge request that you, city council, ensure those fire marshals' early involvement in any modifications of roadways. Right now, there's not a requirement for that to happen. And we also recommended that the definition of a emergency used in the city's agreement with Multnomah county be clarified, if possible, to increase firefighters' certainty about medical emergencies. The definition is the county's definition but the city has a lot of leeway in how it shapes its agreement for first responder services and recommended that the bureau make improvements in documentation. The fire chief and commissioner in charge, responded jointly and in support of the recommendations and said they would immediately implement those directed to the bureau and work for the others involving the other bureaus and council.

Fritz: I have a question about the speed bump piece. What kind of analysis did you do as to which kind of speed bumps slowed down? Did you look at the different kinds we're using?

Scott: There was a joint analysis done as reported in the audit, between the Portland fire and rescue and the bureau of transportation some years ago that found that -- we used their analysis, that found that each bump could delay a responder up to nine seconds. It depends on the truck, the fire truck, or engine, and probably some other factors.

Fritz: Did you look at whether they actually had happened, as far as the out of compliance response times were delayed by speed bumps?

Scott: We were told by -- as we -- as the report also state, firefighters told us in some cases when they know there's going to be speed bumps on the route, they may take a different route other than the shortest, and that demonstrates also that they're taking longer to go on those routes.

Fritz: Seem like a interesting question for council to welcome at particularly with the advances being made in the speed tables and other things to figure out whether that's caused a delayed response time.

Scott: I believe there's a plan to test ditch kinds of speed bumps.

Fritz: Thank you.

Leonard: There's a variety of different designs that would minimize the delays. But there's no question that when there's a speed bump, they nearly come to a stop. Otherwise it would throw people off the apparatus. They're heavy and don't go over them easily.

Kahn: There's new designs, like offset bumps, one in each lane and some distance before the next one and speed bumps that have cuts are for the wheels of an emergency vehicle. But none were in existence at the time of our review.

Scott: We released a report just today on facility services work on implementing our 2008 work review on construction practices. That review was also led by beth. The 2008 audit found that construction costs were affected by management of design contracts on some projects and we also found inconsistent application of some contract conditions. In this followup audit, we found facility services has implemented two of the four recommendations we made and in the process of implementing the other two. It's improved early project planning reflected in the scope of work, and requests for proposal and improved policy on completing designs before advertising for construction bids and that includes client bureau review and during the process of improving clarity of contract provisions they've clarified payment provisions in professional services contracts and in the process of working with the city attorney's office to improve payment provisions in the general conditions of construction contracts. Also, they're in the process of improving contract amendments to include a statement of how an amendment changes the original scope of work. Facility services has improved its administration and documentation of changes to construction contracts. We make no recommendation in this report. Management responded it will continue current efforts and fully implement the prior recommendations we found in the process of being implemented.

Kahn: These five reports we're proud to report to you today, very happy with our highly professional staff on this wide range of topics with more good work set to continue this fall and winter proud to see 90% of the audit recommendations implemented and happy to be fulfilling our goal as members of the auditing staff in the auditor's office to improve public accountability for city programs and appreciate your attention and the collaborative work by the bureaus to implement the auditor recommendations.

Adams: Thank you very much. Thank you. Impressive work. Did you -- is there any action you wanted on this or just a report?

Fish: [inaudible]

Adams: A report, got it. That moves us to the regular agenda, Karla, please read emergency ordinance item number 1308.

Moore-Love: 1282? Adams: Did I miss one?

Moore-Love: Time certain, 10:15.

Adams: I apologize. Yes, of course, we're doing this one. Getting ahead of myself. Can you

please read the title for appointment, 1282.

Item 1282.

Adams: Aneshka, would you like to come forward?

Aneshka Colas-Dickson: Sure, thank you:

Adams: I'm going to say a few words and then give you an opportunity to speak. Glad you're here. So this morning, i'm pleased to present to the city council, aneshka dickson, who i'm recommending to you as an impressive candidate for the Portland development commission board. The city's five-year economic development strategy calls for an renewed strategic focus on neighborhood vitality and small business successful this month, over 350 people gathered together with us at psu for a day-long round table to discuss our emerging economic development plan. The goal of this plan will be to work together to create healthy neighborhoods, healthy small businesses and opportunities for all Portlanders. Ms. Dickson, we'll have with ms. Dickson, an hands-on expert at running a small business and successfully working in neighborhoods throughout Portland and to help lead this body of work, ms. Dickson is a life-long Portlander and the vice president and chief financial officer of colas construction. It's a family-owned firm that specializes in mixed use housing and construction projects and grown steadily since its founding in 1997. Ms. Dickson graduated from the university of Oregon -- go ducks: With an degree in accounting and business administration from the college of business and a member of the national association of realtors. While vice president of the firm, colas construction has worked with a wide array of developers and stakeholders to complete projects such as iron crest estates. Multifamily development in gresham montana blocks condominiums in north Portland. The tri-met meter building in downtown Portland and central city's concern golden west hotel expansion. Her company has reached more than 40% mwesb in their work and I believe that her 10-years plus worth of experience running a small business and coupled as a next generation business leader will be a great asset to the commission and will be a compliment to the talents and expertise of the existing board members. As we continue to develop on our goal of creating 10,000 jobs in four years. To my colleagues on the city council, I submit to you for appointment to the Portland development commission, aneshka dickson. Colas-Dickson: Thank you.

John Mohlis: With your permission, i'd like to say a few introductory remarks on behalf of the board. Thank you, mayor Adams, my name is john mohlis. I'm happy to be here on behalf of the board in support of aneshka dickson's appointment to the pdc board and we feel we have a strong board both in terms of gender and ethnic diversity. But also, importantly, each commissioner brings a different background and a different set of skills to the table. And we feel very strongly that the skill sets and background that aneshka will bring will fit nicely into the mix we have right now.

Her experience in running a small business and helping to promote more work opportunities for minority and emerging small businesses will fit into the portfolio nicely and fellow commissioners are in strong support of her appointment and hope that she receives your unanimous consent to become our next pdc commissioner.

Adams: Thank you. Comments from council. I think you've had an opportunity to meet with her.

Colas-Dickson: Thank you. I just want to acknowledge my family, my three young boys are behind me this morning and i'm so proud to have them here. Their first time in city hall. So caleb, eric, thank you for coming and joining me today and my family and friends who are here as well. Thank you, mayor Adams, and commissioners and executive bruce warner and john mohlis, and thank you for the remarks you said about me. I'm a life-long Portlander and I care very deeply for the city i'm deeply committed to making Portland the most livable, equitable and sustainable city if the united states, and a parent with young children, i'm passionate about our schools and parks and neighborhood spaces and making sure that my children will have the opportunity to find to find employment in Portland. I've run a successful small business for the past 13 year and look forward to our continued growth as a firm. My company was started by my father, a powerful wonderful man, and I have enjoyed working with him over these years and for him giving me the role and title in our firm and I take that to heart and i've worked very hard during those years at the company and he can attest to that.

Leonard: He is, as you speak. [laughter]

Colas-Dickson: Wonderful.

Colas-Dickson: He self-financed all of our initial projects when we started and chose to build top-quality construction housing in blighted neighborhoods because he believed that uplifting the neighborhoods helped to uplift communities and our company expanded into larger project, affordable housing, etc., tenant improvements and today we have a portfolio across the Portland metropolitan area. And we're looking to hire a qualified diverse workforce and we're a positive, progressive, committed company and we like to contribute to the economic development of Portland. I hope to be able to contribute my experiences as a small business owner who has worked on neighborhoods -- worked on neighborhood scale developments to the Portland development commission as we work to create jobs and healthy communities and vibrant neighborhoods and the opportunity for all Portlanders. By getting cranes in the air and shovels in the ground and keeping business doors open. I'm very passionate about that. Thank you again.

Adams: Well done. Thank you. [applause] anyone wish to testify on this matter? All right. Karla please call the vote.

Leonard: Well, it has been a interesting road that the council has taken since at least 2002 to get to the place I we are with the current Portland development commission, which is a partner with the council. And it hasn't always -- we haven't always had that relationship. So i, under the last few years under the leadership of bruce warner and the current board, exceedingly pleased to work with them and find it at times, even inspirational. As john said, when he began his remarks that we have a strong board because of gender and ethnic diversity and that's certainly true but equally important is that the board is exceedingly competent in what they do and i've never seen a more competent group on the Portland development commission and never seen all of the gears moving in the same direction and all the cylinders hitting as I have lately and your appointment is clearly a exclamation point beyond that and your remarks were appropriate for the task you're undertaking. The Portland development commission is the Portland's development agency and it's unusual for a city of our size to have a quasi independent agency and it's important that we work together and set goals together and that we figure out how to achieve those goals together. And certainly, this board and the executive director and clearly from your remarks, you'll bring that same focus to the board and i'm pleased to be able to support you. Aye.

Colas-Dickson: Thank you very much.

Fritz: I'm going to start by thanking bertha, whose term is ending and welcoming aneshka and it's amazing how much our citizen volunteers commit to helping us on the Council to get the best for our city and citizens. So thank you for your willingness to serve. Thank you for your family. I remember I was appointed to the planning commission when I had three small children and grandmother and grandpa were very important. And i'm sure your family is proud of you and I am too. I'm very happy to see the mother of small children. I was happy to hear you mention your commitment to neighborhoods and schools and we all share those values and you're living it very, very closely right at this time as you look at your children going through the schools. Thank you for your willingness to serve and commissioner mohlis for your ongoing dedication and we have a lot of diverse backgrounds bringing different thoughts to the Portland development commission. Aye.

Colas-Dickson: Thank you very much.

Fish: First, I want to thank the commissioner for his introduction and the work he does for us every day and as randy said, we have a very strong group of commissioners and you're a conspicuous example and thanks to bruce warner and his team. And i'll say that when I first met ms. Dickson, my first reaction, I was angry at the mayor because he had beaten us to the punch in nominating you to this body, because each of us would have another assignment. We'd like to see you along the way.

Colas-Dickson: Thanks.

Fish: As housing commissioner, i've had the honor of working with your family and business, and I know a lot about the values that have gone into that business and that have earned the business a reputation it enjoys in our community and based on that, I have no doubt you'll be an enormous success and appreciate the fact in our conversation, you have a deep, deep, personal commitment to values we share, about diversity and inclusion and getting the contracting right as we complete the disparity study and keeping our feet to the fire to make sure our actions are linked to our words. I think you're, as mentioned, one of the most impressive people that's come before us for appointment and we're delighted to share in this proud moment for you and your family and thank you for the service you're ready to embark on and was pleased to meet your kids, particularly your six year old. I have a special place in my heart for people at six and the challenges they bring to us. Welcome and congratulations. Aye.

Colas-Dickson: Thank you so much.

Adams: I am really proud to nominate you to this very important position. You're joining a group of people on the commission that are bar none, represent the best group of commissioners the city has ever had. You also join a superb staff led by Bruce warner, erin Flynn, Patrick Quinton and others, so we've got a lot of work to do, so with you on the commission, I have no doubt you will help us get it done. I want to thank Kimberly Schneider on my staff, who is the director in the Mayor's office, for jobs and economic development. I'm pleased to vote aye.

Colas-Dickson: Thank you all so much.

Mohlis: Thank you very much for your kind words. [applause]

Adams: That gets us to the regular agenda. Can we go and read the titles? We can't vote, but Karla, please read the titles starting with 1308.

Item 1308.

Adams: Welcome back. What are we looking at here.

Vince Jarmer, Commander, Portland Police Bureau: Mr. Mayor, i'd like to introduce this ordinance to you for your approval. This has to do with a rather old 300-hour suspension that we'd like to resolve, resolve the grievance. This officer, officer hobbs, has already served the 300 hours in a combination of forfeited vacation time and suspension without pay. It is our desire to resolve this by bringing the -- to amend the suspension down to 120 hours and the reason we're here today

is the resolution would require your approval to restore some of the vacation time that officer hobbs used, and also to reimburse her for some of the difference in the hours. And I can go into those details if you like. But essentially 119 hours of accrued vacation time would be reimbursed into her bank, and then 61 hours of her pay would be reimbursed to her at the hourly rate of her rate at the time that she served the suspension back in 2006. One of the reasons we wanted to bring this to you to resolve is because when we went to arbitration, there was some technical difficulties and we could not continue it past the first day. And that was in 2009. I think it's in the best interests of the police bureau association, though I don't speak for them, but also the city to resolve this in this manner, and we have gotten the required approvals and oversight from h.r., and the city attorney, miscrowd is here as well. Thank you.

Adams: Discussion from council? Anyone wish to testify on item 1308? Please call the vote.

Leonard: Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Adams:** Aye. 1308 is approved. Thank you.

Jarmer: Thank you.

Adams: Please read the title for emergency ordinance item number 1309.

Item 1309.

Adams: Good morning, welcome back.

Patrick Quinton, PDC: Good morning. Good morning mayor Adams, commissioners, my name is patrick quinton, I manage the business and industry division terror the Portland development commission. And i'm joined by eric johansson, the city treasurer, and we're here to seek Preliminary approval to issue up to 31 million in recovery zone bonds to help finance the rehabilitation of the historic meier & frank depot building, which I think as you all know, is will be will be the new north american headquarters for vestas. Before I turn the presentation over to eric to explain the details on the recovery zone bond issuance, I wanted to take a few minutes to provide an overview on the vestas transaction. While mayor Adams is history with vestas goes back many years, our work with this most recent transaction began in early 2008 when vestas announced its intent to build a new headquarters facility in Portland. Challenging economic conditions delayed those plans, but early this year vestas indicated it was ready to move forward with 100-150,000square-foot facility in Portland. We structured a deal to offer the best deal for vestas without putting city revenues at risk. Vestas signed a lease at the end of august, and then we expect to be able to close this with city council approval, we expect to close this loan by the end of the year and begin construction by the end of the year and vestas will hopefully be able to move into their new home in the first half of 2012. The benefits to the city from this transaction cannot be overstated. Vestas will maintain its existing 400-person work force here, these are all very high-paying jobs, and they have Plans to add between 150-200 people over the next five years. Pdc's \$8 million loan for this project, which translates into roughly a million six in public incentives, leverages about 56 million in private investment and a highly visible vacant building and creates roughly 400, 450 construction jobs. In addition, vestas's decision to not only remain in Portland but to create a visible presence here confirms our claim as the capital of the u.s. Green economy, and one of the international leaders in the development and management of renewable energy projects. Vestas will serve as an anchor to our clean tech cluster and will supply chain opportunities for local firms during that time. The project itself is a \$66 million rehabilitation of the 130,000-square-foot building. Pdc is providing an \$8.1 million, 15-year loan and the state is contributing another \$2.25 million through the governor's strategy reserve and tax credits. The remaining 55.5 million is coming from both private equity as well as the debt that will be financed through the issuance of the recovery zone bonds that we're talking about today. It is important to note that the issuance of the recovery zone bonds does not require any use of public dollars, nor does it put public dollars at risk. In addition, no other city fees have been waived or reduced to make this deal happen. Pdc's zerointerest loan, which represents about 1.6 million in Current dollars is a cost to the agency, is the

only city incentive in this project. Lastly, the allocation of these recovery zone bonds that we're talking about coming directly from the state, and does not reduce the city's allocation of 34 million dollars in recovery zone bonds and it doesn't crowd out any other projects that might be using that allocation. I'll just finish by saying that my team worked on a lot of retention and recruitment projects, and all of them are obviously very important, but I think it's hard to find another project that requires much effort on behalf of -- by my team and by the mayor and mayor's staffs that project, and I think it's also safe to say that I can't think of another project that's as vital to our economic development priorities that project. So we're quite pleased with this outcome. So i'll turn it over to eric now.

Eric Johansen, City Treasurer: Thanks, patrick. Eric johansson, city treasurer. Just a couple of details, reminders about the recovery zone facility bonds. These are a creation of era, this particular program allows bonds to be sold on a tax-exempt basis for projects privately owned and operated. This provides a lower cost borrowing to the project beneficiary. These are not to be confused with the recovery zone economic development bonds, which can only be used for governmental purposes and was provided different benefits. These are using the facility bond authority that was provided by congress under era. As patrick mentioned, even though the city is the issuer here, we are not the obligor, we are not guaranteeing, we're not supporting the project from a revenue standpoint in any way. We simply are issuing the bonds in order to convey the tax exemption to the borrower. Just a couple of other details, this will close by the end of december under current law, that it has to close by the end of december because the authority lapses on december 31st. This is a preliminary approval, we will be back before you again in I would guess probably a month or so requesting final approval of this particular transaction when more of the details of the package will be done. So with, that i'd be happy to take any questions.

Adams: Sort of a contextual note, we have been marketing the -- this opportunity, financing opportunity to the private sector community, and it looks like we'll have -- we will not have taken up all the -- the community will not have found a way to use all these credits. Is that correct? **Johansen:** That's -- that's correct. At this point we're tracking about almost 7 million of excess authority that we'll have under the \$34 million allocation.

Adams: You just have to be able to conclude the deal by the end of december, right?

Quinton: Correct.

Adams: Do you have a comment?

Fish: That helped explain it. Thank you.

Adams: \$7 million left for anyone -- any business that's interested and might qualify, call 823-3200 number

Quinton: Let me speak more specific. 4.3 on the private side, so the private businesses, 4.3, we have 2.5 on the public side. We allocate the tremainder to the public schools.

Adams: Ok.

Fritz: I want to make sure I have all the numbers correct. The total cost of the project is 66 million. And the main role of the city is in putting the financing package together, also there is 8.1 million coming from Portland development commission through urban renewal district funds. The only public -- that investment, the 1.6 million from pdc in interest costs.

Quinton: Correct. The 8.1 million is a zero interest loan over 15 years. The 1.6 represents the cost to us of providing zero interest money to them during that time period.

Fritz: There's actually -- those are the investments by the Portland development commission, the city of Portland, and our tax payers are not on the hook for anything.

Quinton: Correct.

Fritz: This whole deal, which I commend mayor Adams and the Portland development commission and your staff for putting together, brings in \$66 million, including at least \$27 million in private investment.

Quinton: Yeah. Just under \$27 million is the estimate right now. It's about \$26.7 million in

private money. **Fritz:** Thank you.

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

Leonard: This would be an impressive accomplishment in any economy. It's stellar in this economy, so I congratulate certainly pdc for its work, but mayor Adams for his focus and drive in getting this done, and certainly one can talk about the amount of private dollars that are coming as a result of 27 million, but as I don't have to explain to you gentlemen, the multiplier effect of a construction jobs that are created and the permanent jobs, it will be in that community downtown cannot be overstated. And we certainly need the building permit fees at the bureau of development services, so we're excited about being able to issue permits at full cost for this project, and that nobody has come to us and asked us for any reduction in fees, which we wouldn't give anyway. So it's very, very good news. Thank you. Aye.

Quinton: Thank you.

Fritz: Thank you to governor kulongoski, mayor Adams, office of management and finance, and the Portland development commission, for pulling together this financial package that helped vestas choose this location to settle, and to vestas for their choosing to invest in our region, and our city. Thank you to president obama and our congressional delegation for the federal money which has helped put people back to work, and it represents jobs for the Construction and remodel and multiple other jobs that -- in the multiplier effect, and by vestas employees sending -- spending their money here. And it involves the renovation and maintenance of an historic building in the old meier & frank warehouse, which is something again that we're all committed to. So thank you very much, good work. Aye.

Fish: I want to add my voice to congratulating the mayor and the team at pdc for pulling this off. But I want to sort of take a page out of what commissioner Leonard alluded to and just I want to do a confession, because apparently a number of us wear rose-colored glasses, and are out of step of of the state of downtown because there are a small number of people who insist on talking down our downtown to the detriment of our city, I would like to note, mayor, that the vestas deal independently as randy said, is important. And having a headquarter in those jobs is important. But so is the unfolding renaissance at the Portland state university, which we have supported every step of the way, and and psu is definitely on the rise. So is the pacific northwest college of arts leadership and growth, and expansion, putting us on the map nationally. So are the extraordinary enhancements to the bus and light rail mall downtown, fifth and sixth. One reporter recently actually wrote a story saying we're still recovering from the construction phase of that. I think if you took a poll downtown, you'd say most people are relishing the fact we have greatly enhanced both the petted experience and the transit experience, and I think some of the business activity along that corridor proves it. But you might also point to the fact that the resource access center is nearing a critical juncture in its development, that central city concern is building a health clinic a88 sent to a beautiful building on a corner of broadway and burnside, and burger king is down, that we've replace add burger king with a health clinic. We couldy of course observe there was a record number of business license fees that were taken out over the past year, and small incubator buildings that give young entrepreneurs a chance to start our pact, places like the left bank annex, in the rose quarter, packed with people pursuing a dream and feel supported. We could also point to director park, probably the most conspicuous success we've had in recent memory in the parks bureau, which was 60% funded by the private sector. Not a model we can always replicate, but in this one, we would grateful for tom and george's leadership and the foundation's leadership, could you look to the fields in the river district, you could also look to the other side of the river, but my only point is Since there are those who insist on talking down our downtown, I would like to celebrate the fact this is another piece of the puzzle on what I see as a clear pattern of resurgence,

and positive momentum. And if people would stop doing that, because it's usually strategic, they have something they want from us, and it's usually a tax break, if they would stop talking down our city and celebrating what we're doing together, we could probably bring some of the public perception in line with reality. So again, I confess to having rose-colored glasses, but I think it's about time we started acknowledging these success stories more assertively. Aye.

Adams: Thank you for -- when you put the list together like that, it really is an impressive list of new investments and investments in renovations. I'm going to -- I want to thank you, patrick, for your work and the work of your team on this. Eric, for allowing us to do it. We always have to get eric's approval on these things and ken russ's approval on these things. This is very exciting. I also want to thank in addition to the folks in my office, mark elan, and his team for doing really innovative work. I hung in there for eight years, you actively hung in there for I think about the same amount of time with this company, so persistence does pay off. So thank you all. Aye. It's approved. We just need to read a title. Can you please read the title, 1291.

Item 1291.

Adams: Unless objections, it's moved to my office for more work. We are --

Moore-Love: 1310, mayor?

Adams: Sorry.

Leonard: You're going to make lisa truly very angry.

Adams: I'm so sorry: [laughter] I need more coffee. Can you please read, we saved the very best

for last. Can you please read emergency ordinance item number 1310.

Item 1310.

Adams: Commissioner amanda Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you. I am very pleased to -- look at us all beaming. We're very pleased to bring this agreement with you, and indeed in a -- our labor co-chairs also wanted to be here, but were not able to be here. But I did meet with them the day before yesterday, and we all agreed this was a very collaborative, positive experience in bargaining, obviously with bargaining it's always having difficult spots, but we used interest-based bargaining approach, and tim and I placed -- participated on the bargaining team and we're very pleased and believe this is a contract which is fair to the employees, fair to management, and fair to the citizens of Portland.

Jerrell Gaddis, Bureau of Human Resources: Good morning mayor and commissioners. I guess we have only two commissioners.

Fritz: They'll be back.

Gaddis: Ok. I'm bringing forth this ordinance in hope that you recommend it for ratification. This ordinance was something that we worked hard at, it was diligent at times, it was stressful, but between our team and the union, we put together something that we felt that was beneficial for both parties. I want to first take this opportunity to say the direction that we were given from the top, the commissioner, commissioner Fritz with the director lisa turley, and my -- she was my support. Tony sexton. So during this whole negotiation process, it was very difficult, but I think collectively we put our heads down, we got great direction, and this was the end result, a positive contract for both sides. With that said, I hope that the council ratifies this agreement, and I can lay out the terms of the agreement. It's a -- it's a three-year agreement -- it's a three-year agreement, i'm starting in 2010, it expires in 2013. The wages in the first year, it's zero cola, years two and three it's 1% is the minimum, and the maximum is 5%. Everything else, we had other articles within the contract that we agree on, and you probably have that information there, so I won't go through all the other issues within the contract. So with that said ---- f anyone else would like to talk.

Lisa Turley, Director, Bureau of Emergency Communications: Lisa turley, director of boec. I want to echo commissioner Fritz's thanks to the bargaining team. Jerrell had an alias dr. Know, and we appreciate his being steadfast in helping us hold lines that we needed to hold. Tony sexton was very excellent in her role as leader of the management team, and also in being collaborative and

working with our union partners to get understanding around why we needed to change some of the things that we were asking that be changed. And also i'd like to thank tim for his steadfast support throughout the process. It's very important that the commissioner's offices and in both of the contracts that i've negotiated, i've had excellent support from my commissioners, so i'd like to thank you you, commissioner Fritz, and commissioner Leonard, for that. I've learned a lot in both of those endeavors, and I think this team did an excellent job in bringing this contract to you for asking for your approval on it. I think the city made some good grounds, and I think in these economic times the union understood that they needed to give a little bit, and they did, by going with the zero cola for this year.

Fritz: Thank you very much. Did you want to say anything, tony?

Tony Sexton, Bureau of Emergency Communications: Tony sexton, no, I don't have anything to say.

Fritz: If I might highlight three of the issues which i'm particularly pleased with, we established a category for part-time workers, which is a new thing for the bureau, and I believe is going to benefit both employee and reducing overtime. Over the long haul. We may put into the contracts some of the advances we've made in sick leave policy at boec through discussions through labor management over the past year and a half, so I think that is -- gives people certainty as to how we're going to manage sick time. And then we adopted what we believe is the most progressive parental leave policy in the city, and i'm very pleased with that.

Adams: Any other discussion? Anyone that wishes to testify on this matter? Karla, please call the vote.

Leonard: I'm out with the fire chief quite a bit in the city, and I often tell people, I didn't hire him, but I would have. I actually did hire lisa turley. And she continues to make me very proud. She does an outstanding job at bureau that is as challenging as any bureau in this city to manage, including fire and police bureau. And I know commissioner Fritz appreciates that as well. It is -- I spent time out there listening to the dispatchers and the call takers, and it is a job I could not do. I am -- every time I hear one of those challenging calls, we listen to so many of, it's incredible to me that the people you have can handle those crisis, and there's no other word to describe it in the way that they do. And this comes from a person who is often dispatched from those calls. I would much rather go into a Burning building than sit on the phone and listen to the people that were on the other end of the phone, it's absolutely inspiring what the folks do out there. But having said that, you get a lot of other personality traits that come with the ability to to do that, and lisa and tony do a marvelous job managing that. And I have just continued to be impressed, commissioner Fritz has managed this bureau very well along with her staff, and I appreciate all of what they've done, and bringing this agreement to closure in this broader context in which we're negotiating contracts and not having closure on some should be of a special significance to observers of city government. So I give commissioner Fritz, lisa, and tony a lot of credit, and jerrell thank you for all your work in helping them get through the process. Aye.

Fritz: Thank you, commissioner Leonard, and thank you to each one. I'm very proud to be the commissioner in charge of the bureau of emergency communications, I find it fascinating, and rewarding, just as each of our employees finds it fascinating and rewarding, and challenging. And I appreciate all of the good work that goes on day in day out, 24/7, 365. And thank you to darrell and to james hester for leading their respective teams, frank for filling in for james when he was unable to attend, as I mentioned, nick white and ann marie have proven true leaders. In their union and on the floor, and they -- I thank them for bargaining in good faith and all of the employees for understanding the difficulty economic times we're facing, and coming to an agreement which I believe is equitable for everyone and recognizes those tough times. The management team at boec that served on the bargaining team was absolutely fantastic, tim, in my office, who was an active participant and I think did a good job walking that fine line between listening and intervening when

necessary on behalf of myself and my office. I'm very pleased with the contract the bargaining team negotiated, and it's got some give and take, and I appreciate my colleagues' support. Aye. **Fish:** Before I comment on amanda's work on this, for equal time today, i'd like to observe that congratulations to commissioner Leonard on the opening of fire station one. We were all proud to join with him yesterday at that event. It's a beautiful remodel, looks great, and thank you. **Adams:** A slicing of the axing of the ribbon on youtube.

Fish: Thank you, mayor, for being public attention to that. I believe randy already had a concern about regulatory fallout. [laughter] I don't actually remember because i'm not sure he would be licensed to swing that axe. I didn't see that event. So we'll just move along of the thank you for inviting your colleagues to share in that Proud moment. Amanda, thank you for bringing this home. It's fun to watch with your experience in labor relation and being in the labor movement, it's very valuable for us to see how you guide negotiation process, and how you bring your values to the table. And the interest approach to work, out differences. So congratulations and to your team, thank you for all of you for bringing this home, and setting a good example for the council. Aye. **Adams:** Congratulations. It wasn't that long ago when this was the hardest contract to settle. So thank you for your leadership, commissioner Fritz, thanks to the entire team and others and our labor partners. This is fantastic work. Aye. And we are adjourned.

At 11:32 a.m., Council adjourned.