

**RESOLUTION No. 36895**

Authorize the City Attorney to intervene on behalf of the City of Portland in Oregon Public Utility Commission docket UM 1565. (Resolution).

WHEREAS, the Oregon Public Utilities Commission, (“OPUC”), has opened a docket titled, “Investigation into Fuel Switching and Cross Fuel Efficiency Issues, UM 1565”; and

WHEREAS, this docket will investigate energy efficiency questions related to choosing electricity or natural gas fuels; gas/electricity fuel switching; and the influence of Energy Trust of Oregon incentives on choosing one fuel over the other; and

WHEREAS, Portland’s 2009 Climate Action Plan establishes short- and long-term goals for carbon reduction which are greatly influenced by the carbon emissions from generating electricity and use of natural gas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland has broad authority under its home rule charter to oversee the activities of utilities within its boundaries, including through the establishment of franchises and the issuance of permits, and is also responsible for the orderly management of public rights-of-way within its boundaries; and

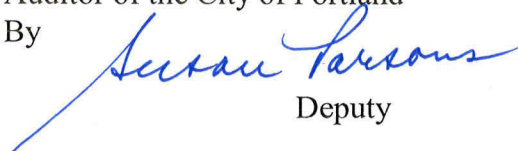
WHEREAS, participation by the City as a party in this OPUC filing would permit the City to: (1) obtain important information regarding gas and electric fuel efficiency and other matters not otherwise readily available; (2) be informed of other parties’ actions and comments in this proceeding; and (3) influence the outcome of the proceeding for the benefit of the city’s Climate Action Plan and for the benefit of the citizens of Portland.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Portland, that the City Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to intervene on behalf of the City as a full party in Oregon Public Utility Commission proceeding UM 1565 to present the City's views and protect its interests as necessary.

Adopted by the Council: **JAN 11 2012**

Commissioner Mayor Sam Adams  
Prepared by: D. Tooze/ BPS  
Date Prepared: December 27, 2011

**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By

  
Deputy

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<p><b>INTRODUCED BY</b>                  Commissioner/Auditor:  <b>Mayor Sam Adams</b></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JAN 06 2012</u></p>
<p><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Leonard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade                  Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>Susan Parsons</i></u>                  Deputy</p> <p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p>
<p><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Bureau: Planning and Sustainability                  Bureau Head: Susan Anderson  <i>Susan Anderson</i></p> <p>Prepared by: David Tooze                  Date Prepared: 12/28/2011</p>	
<p>Financial Impact &amp; Public Involvement Statement</p> <p>Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document                  If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.                  Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date  <b>January 11, 2012</b></p>	
<p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b>                  required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	

<b>AGENDA</b>
<p><b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: _____</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____                  (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p><b>CONSENT</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p><b>REGULAR</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____                  (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	✓	
Adams	Adams	✓	