

Portland, Oregon

## FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT For Council Action Items

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4a. To be filed (date):  March 15, 2012	4b. Calendar (Check One)  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <span>Regular <input type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span> <span>4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/></span> </div>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and FPD Budget Analyst: March 15, 2012
6a. Financial Impact Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public involvement section completed	

- 1) **Legislation Title:** \* Extend contract with Daniel Rossos for one year and increase by \$58,500 for additional NFPA representative services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000760)
- 2) **Purpose of the Proposed Legislation:** Amend contract with Daniel Rossos to continue work on NFPA committees through March 31, 2013.
- 3) **Which area(s) of the city are affected by this Council item? (Check all that apply—areas are based on formal neighborhood coalition boundaries)?**
- ☒ City-wide/Regional  
☐ Central Northeast  
☐ Central City  
☐ Internal City Government Services

☐ Northeast  
☐ Southeast

☐ Northwest  
☐ Southwest

☐ North  
☐ East

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

4) **Revenue:** Will this legislation generate or reduce current or future revenue coming to the City? If so, by how much? If so, please identify the source. No change in revenue is expected.

5) **Expense:** What are the costs to the City related to this legislation? What is the source of funding for the expense? *(Please include costs in the current fiscal year as well as costs in future years. If the action is related to a grant or contract please include the local contribution or match required. If there is a project estimate, please identify the level of confidence.)* PF&R expects it will cost approximately \$14,584 for the remainder of FY 2011-2012 and approximately \$43,916 in FY 2012-2013. PF&R has a high level of confidence in these estimates.

**6) Staffing Requirements:**

- **Will any positions be created, eliminated or re-classified in the current year as a result of this legislation?** *(If new positions are created please include whether they will be part-time, full-time, limited term, or permanent positions. If the position is limited term please indicate the end of the term.)* No positions will be created, eliminated or re-classified as a result of this legislation.
- **Will positions be created or eliminated in *future years* as a result of this legislation?** No positions will be created or eliminated in future years as a result of this legislation.

**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

**8) Was public involvement included in the development of this Council item (e.g. ordinance, resolution, or report)? Please check the appropriate box below:**

- ☐ **YES:** Please proceed to Question #9.
- ☐ **NO:** Please, explain why below; and proceed to Question #10. Public involvement was not included in the development of this Ordinance because this is an amendment to an existing contract.

**10) Is any future public involvement anticipated or necessary for this Council item? Please describe why or why not.** The future public involvement for this Council item is the national participation in establishing and/or revising firefighter safety standards and equipment.



BUREAU DIRECTOR (Typed name and signature)





# PORTLAND FIRE & RESCUE



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**DATE:** February 28, 2012

**TO:** Commissioner Randy Leonard

**FROM:** John Klum, Fire Chief *JK*

**RE:** \* Extend contract with Daniel Rossos for one year and increase by \$58,500 for additional NFPA representative services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000760)

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Reviewed by Bureau Liaison \_\_\_\_\_

1. **INTENDED THURSDAY FILING DATE:** March 15, 2012
2. **REQUESTED COUNCIL AGENDA DATE:** March 21, 2012
3. **CONTACT NAME & NUMBER:** Glen Eisner, 503-823-3944
4. **PLACE ON:** X **CONSENT** \_\_\_\_\_ **REGULAR**
5. **BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT ATTACHED:** X **Y** \_\_\_\_\_ **N** \_\_\_\_\_ **N/A**
6. **ORIGINAL COPY OF CONTRACTS APPROVED AS TO FORM BY CITY ATTORNEY ATTACHED:** X **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No** \_\_\_\_\_ **N/A**

## 7. BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

**Include:**

**-history of project** – The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is an international non-profit agency established in 1896. The mission of the NFPA is to reduce fires and other hazards by creating and advocating standards for fire codes, safety codes, research, training and education. The NFPA has several committees that create standards and codes related to firefighter safety and operations.

The benefits of having a PF&R representative as a principal member of these committees include improved safety, financial savings and liability compliance, and are demonstrated as follows:.

### SAFETY

- an intimate collaborative relationship with NIOSH Fire Fatality Investigations, NIOSH's National Personal Protection technology labs, National Institute of Standards and Technology and United States Arms Services
- Receive immediate knowledge of time sensitive information from international and nation agencies regarding equipment failures and or hazardous conditions.
- PF&R nationally recognized for contribution in leadership, training and safety.



- PF&R national recognition has opened doors resulting in positions on numerous national advisory panels as well as presenting at national and local conferences.
- Numerous PF&R SOPs and SOGs are recognized and adopted in national and international standards.
- Most recently PF&R had an equipment malfunction that has the potential to cause serious harm to firefighters nationwide. Because of our membership we were able to bring this issue to national attention and facilitate a solution almost immediately.

### **Financial Savings**

- Technical contributions in grant requests resulting in approximately \$1,837,740 of dollars in equipment acquisition including SCBAs, Cylinders, PASS, HUD, Personal Masks.
- Insure that grant applications are technically accurate and that grant reporting requirements are met.
- Knowledge of imminent changes in standards, thus avoiding purchasing soon to be obsolete or noncompliant equipment. (For example: Recommended postpone purchasing upgraded PASS alarms because standard was going to change, making our upgrades noncompliant saving approximately \$250,000. Recommended postponing purchase of new personal masks because standard was going to change making those masks noncompliant saving approximately \$587,740.)
- Intimate knowledge of codes, standards, and certifications avoids purchase of noncompliant equipment. (For example: Recommended not purchasing the more commonly used 1200 L cylinders, but, to instead purchase the 1800 L cylinders. Now the most commonly used in the U.S.) (This was a Life safety issue). In addition, rope rescue systems, turnouts, respiratory protection, training props, Burn Building maintenance etc.)
- Personal and business relationship with equipment manufacturers resulting in immediate resolutions to problems and failures. (For example: Replacement of all PF&Rs SCBA purge system at no cost, replacement or repair of all PF&R RIC/UAC fittings at no cost, replacement of all PF&Rs SCBA malleable shafts at no cost, and upgrade of all PF&R SCBA to new slide brackets at no cost. These replacement items could have cost more than \$1 million.)
- The most recent equipment malfunction involved ice forming inside the SCBA mask of a firefighter while performing firefighting duties. PF&R expects that it will receive at no cost repair and/or replacement of all parts that have the potential to cause this problem, again saving the City several hundred thousand dollars.



**Liability Compliance**

- NFPA Respiratory Protection Committee develops the recognized standard for the Fire Service Respiratory Protection Plan as required by OSHA.
- Intimate knowledge of this standard keeps PF&R in compliance concerning equipment, maintenance and training and record keeping. (For example: OSHA investigation found compliance therefore the City incurred no fines or penalties.)

In addition, PF&R was made aware of a pending change in procedures regarding shipboard firefighting. That knowledge kept PF&R from investing thousands of dollars and hundreds of staff-hours on training and equipment that is in the process of becoming obsolete.

The principal member currently representing PF&R is Daniel Rossos. Although he is a retired firefighter, he was an active PF&R firefighter for nearly 27 years. He has been an NFPA representative for 11 years.

PF&R has appointed two active firefighters to become alternate members and eventually to assume the principal member responsibilities for Mr. Rossos. However, in order for those alternates to be accepted by NFPA as replacement members for Mr. Rossos they are required to spend time learning the intricacies of NFPA by working on technical committees and Task groups, and proving they have an adequate understanding of the processes and procedures.

In order for PF&R to not lose its committee representation Mr. Rossos must continue as the principal member while the alternates gain the required experience.

As the alternates gradually take over the principal member duties Mr. Rossos will take on the less active role of alternative member, eventually turning complete responsibility over to the two appointed firefighters.

**-controversial issues** - none

**-citizen participation** - none

**-link to current city policies** - none

**-other governmental participation** – numerous governmental entities throughout the world participate in the NFPA committees referenced above.

**8. FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approximately \$58,500 for time and travel for the next year. These funds are included the annual PF&R requested budget.

**9. RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUESTED**

Pass ordinance, authorize contract amendment.