

RESOLUTION No. 36916

Accept the Willamette Valley Resilience Compact and authorize joining other Willamette Valley jurisdictions to collaborate on climate change adaptation (Resolution)

WHEREAS, a number of Oregon cities, counties, and regional governments, including the City of Portland, have developed climate action plans as well as formed collaborations on economic development, natural hazards mitigation, and research on water quality and quantity; and

WHEREAS, The Resource Innovation Group's (TRIG) *Climate Future Forums* work throughout the region in 2008-2010 assembled over 250 regional experts to review down-scaled regional climate change scenarios, identify impacts to various systems, and propose strategies for building resilience; and

WHEREAS, across the Willamette Valley, similar impacts and recommendations for reducing climate change risks were proposed, and opportunities identified to scale up these efforts and work collaboratively on attracting technical and financial resources for the region; and

WHEREAS, TRIG is proposing a Willamette Valley Resilience Compact (Compact) among city and county governments to coordinate and enhance efforts to build the resilience of the Valley to anticipated impacts from a changing climate; and

WHEREAS, collectively, the Compact parties will have added leverage by developing joint policy positions on legislation at the federal and state level for priority interest areas, including food, energy, emergency management, climate mitigation and adaptation, public health, infrastructure investments, and environmental restoration, among others; and

WHEREAS, collaboration on projects at the regional level and issues of interest will reduce duplication of efforts, expand on best practices, and help leverage capacity and resources; and

WHEREAS, a regional initiative or project may be more attractive for federal or state agencies to engage due to efficiencies and effectiveness in providing technical support at a larger scale; and

WHEREAS, unique opportunities for funding from the state, federal government or foundations may emerge from a regional approach; and

WHEREAS, collaboration at this scale will set a model for climate adaptation and resiliency work across the Pacific Northwest and the country; and

WHEREAS, the Compact provides an opportunity for the Willamette Valley to come together around a shared understanding of climate change impact risks and develop a shared vision of future prosperity and resiliency for the region; and

WHEREAS, the first annual Compact Summit, held on December 12, 2011, brought together representatives and elected officials from across the Willamette Valley, along with state agencies and supporting organizations, to build momentum for the Compact adoption by local governments across the region; and

WHEREAS, the City, other Willamette Valley Resilience Compact signatories, and The Resource Innovation Group (TRIG) anticipate that the Compact will form the basis for regional collaboration and understand that the Compact is not intended to obligate any party to take any particular action and is not legally binding.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proposed Willamette Valley Resilience Compact attached as Exhibit A is accepted by the City Council as a framework to further regional collaboration on climate adaptation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor may sign the Willamette Valley Resilience Compact in a form substantially in accordance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A to memorialize the City's intentions to work collaboratively with other Willamette Valley jurisdictions.

Adopted by the Council: APR 11 2012

Mayor Sam Adams
Prepared by Michele Crim
March 22, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

By 
Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Sam Adams	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>APR 06 2012</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Fish Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman Position 4/Safety - Leonard	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By: <u>[Signature]</u> Deputy
BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Planning and Sustainability Bureau Head: Susan Anderson Prepared by: Michele Crim Date Prepared: March 5, 2012	ACTION TAKEN:
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date April 11, 2012	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan <u>[Signature]</u>	

AGENDA 2 of 2
TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: 10:00 AM Total amount of time needed: NA (combined presentation with CAP Progress Report agenda item)
CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/>
REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

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