

RESOLUTION No.

Establish a new non-profit organization to expand Clean Energy Works Portland under federal funding. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, the City has a long history of effective action to reduce carbon emissions, the primary cause of global climate change; and

WHEREAS, the City's Climate Action Plan, adopted by Resolution No. 36748, identifies actions to put Portland on a path to reduce carbon emissions 80 percent by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan calls for improving access to financing for energy efficiency retrofits to existing buildings; and

WHEREAS, clean energy retrofits to existing buildings are among the best strategies to strengthen the local economy while reducing carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, a major barrier to retrofitting existing buildings is the up-front cost of the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability has worked with the Energy Trust of Oregon, NW Natural, Pacific Power, Portland General Electric, Shorebank Enterprise Cascadia, Worksystems, Inc., Multnomah County, Green for All, labor organizations, and contractors to establish a program to provide the initial financing for the clean energy retrofits with the funds repaid over time on the utility bill; and

WHEREAS, this program, Clean Energy Works Portland, was established by Resolution 36713, adopted July 8, 2010 to work in partnership with the organizations named above; and

WHEREAS, Clean Energy Works Portland has subsequently earned national recognition as a pioneering partnership linking local jobs, climate protection, and community benefits; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded the City \$20 million through a competitive Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant solicitation to expand the Clean Energy Works Portland pilot into a statewide program, Clean Energy Works Oregon; and

WHEREAS, no existing organization, for-profit or non-profit, provides the full range of services required to deliver the Clean Energy Works Oregon program in an integrated manner in the scope contemplated by the competitive grant award; and

WHEREAS, a new non-profit organization would be able to deliver the program efficiently to communities across Oregon, avoiding duplication, keeping costs low, ensuring consistent labor practices, quality standards, and providing a single point of coordinating and contracting for utilities, the Energy Trust of Oregon, and financial partners; and

WHEREAS, key functions of the new organization would include aggregating, managing and deploying capital targeted for streamlined energy-efficiency retrofits across Oregon; developing consumer demand for retrofits; building capacity to do the work; ensuring quality control; integrating work standards and community benefits represented in the pilot community workforce agreement and interacting with secondary market buyers; and

WHEREAS, the City would cause the new organization to be established and appoint the initial board, but thereafter the new organization would be independent of the City and seek 501c(3) status;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council directs the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to proceed with all necessary steps to establish a new non-profit organization to enable the rapid expansion of Clean Energy Works Oregon, a program to reduce carbon emissions, cut household energy bills and create jobs in Oregon, including filing paperwork to incorporate the new organization, appointing the initial board members and advisory committee for the new organization and to initiate negotiations with the new, independent organization for funding through the competitive federal grant award disbursement.

Adopted by the Council,

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

Mayor Sam Adams
Prepared by: M. Armstrong
Date Prepared: June 1, 2010

By

Deputy

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 Agenda No.
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Authorize establishment of a new non-profit organization to expand Clean Energy Works Portland under federal funding. (Resolution)

<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Sam Adams Mayor—Finance and Administration</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JUN 04 2010</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Mayor—Finance and Administration <i>Sam Adams</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> Deputy</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN:</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>BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Bureau of Planning and Sustainability Bureau Head: <i>Susan Anderson</i></p>	
<p>Prepared by: Michael Armstrong Date Prepared: June 2, 2010</p>	
<p>Financial Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <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 June 9, 2010</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval <i>Benjamin Walters</i></p>	

AGENDA

TIME CERTAIN
 Start time: _____

Total amount of time needed: _____
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

CONSENT

REGULAR
Total amount of time needed: 20 minutes
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

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	