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REPORT TO COUNCIL

January 13, 2010

To: Commissioner Amanda Fritz
From: David C. Olson, Director

Subject: NATOA Community Broadband Award : Portland's Integrated Regional Network Enterprise (IRNE)

The City of Portland's Integrated Regional Network Enterprise (IRNE) system, which provides or enables high-speed Internet service to schools, libraries and local government offices throughout Multnomah County, has been recognized with a national Community Broadband award.


The National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA) has honored Portland by naming the IRNE system as one of a handful of recipients of NATOA's 2009 Community Broadband Awards. This honor is awarded only for exceptional leadership and innovative programs that champion community interests and broadband deployment in cities nationwide.

The NATOA press release announcing the award states: "NATOA's Community Broadband Awards proudly recognize the people, communities, and organizations that lead the nation in promoting community interests through broadband projects."

Award recipients are chosen by NATOA annually based on extraordinary efforts, achievements, and innovation in community-based approaches to broadband. These individuals, organizations, and communities have distinguished themselves on a national basis in the effort to ensure that more American communities and citizens benefit from new technology.

The Integrated Regional Network Enterprise (IRNE) is a public communications system operated by the City of Portland. The IRNE system was developed and launched by the City's Com-Net Division (now Bureau of Technology Services) with the help of substantial assets and resources developed by the Office of Cable Communications & Franchise Management. IRNE provides fast, inexpensive internet access to schools, libraries and local government offices throughout Multnomah County on its network and through an interconnection with Comcast's INET. It was planned, designed, and built to share the region's publicly owned communications assets.

We recommend that Council accept the report.


David C. Olson, Director

TO THE COUNCIL

The Commissioner of Public Utilities concurs with the recommendation of the Director of the Office of Cable Communications & Franchise Management and the Mt Hood Cable Regulatory Commission
and

RECOMMENDS:

That the Council accept the report.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Fritz
Commissioner of Public Utilities

Agenda No.
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Accept report on the NATOA Community Broadband Award : Portland's Integrated Regional Network Enterprise (IRNE) (Report)

<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Commissioner Amanda Fritz</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JAN 14 2010</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>En Carol</i></p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Leonard</p>	<p>LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>LaVonne Griffin-Valade</i></u> Deputy</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: OCCFM Bureau Head: David C. Olson <i>David C. Olson</i></p> <p>Prepared by: Mary Beth Henry/Cj Date Prepared: 01/13/10</p> <p>Financial Impact Statement</p> <p>Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Council Meeting Date January 20, 2010</p> <p>City Attorney Approval <i>Benjamin Walters</i></p>	
<p>ACTION TAKEN:</p> <p>JAN 20 2010 ACCEPTED</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: <u>9:30</u> ✓</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 5 mins (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <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	_____	_____