

RESOLUTION No. 36939 As Amended

Refer Portland City Code Changes to Title 3 and Title 5 regarding arts education and access to City voters at the November 6, 2012, General Election ballot. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, arts and music are essential to a high quality, well-rounded education; and

WHEREAS, national research links access to arts and music education to improved test scores, graduation rates and college admittance – particularly for lower-income students and students at-risk. In 2010, 44% of Portland’s high school students did not graduate with their class; and

WHEREAS, non-profit arts and culture organizations play a key role in the education of our children, the economic vitality of our region, and the livability of our city; and

WHEREAS, budget cuts have resulted in a steep decline of arts and music education in Portland schools, leaving over 11,500 students in 26 schools with no access to certified instruction in art, music, dance or drama as of the most recent school year; and

WHEREAS, Portland schools have fallen behind with only 18% of our elementary schools offering art instruction (compared to 83% nationally) and only 58% of our elementary schools offering music (compared to 94% nationally); and

WHEREAS, cities with thriving arts and culture communities help attract businesses, develop a creative workforce and create economic development opportunities across multiple sectors; and

WHEREAS, this proposal will restore arts and music education to our schools by providing stable, long-term funding for certified arts and music teachers – ensuring access to the arts for Portland school students; and

WHEREAS, this proposal will provide grant funding to schools and to non-profit organizations that make arts and culture experiences widely available to school children and every Portland resident; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Portland should be allowed to vote to approve the Arts Education and Access Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council submits an act, attached hereto as Exhibit A, entitled: “A Measure, amending the City of Portland Code, Titles 3, Legislation and Election and Title 5, Revenue and Finance, by ordinance to provide for a limited income tax to support arts education and access to the arts” and Exhibit A.1., new provisions for City Code Sections 3.15.060, 5.04 and 5.73. Exhibit A, and attachments Exhibit A.1 are hereby submitted to the legal voters of the City of Portland, Oregon, for adoption or rejection at the General Election in the City of Portland, Multnomah County, Clackamas County and Washington County to be held on November 6, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council submits the ballot title for the November 6, 2012 General Election ballot, as shown in the attached Exhibit B; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Auditor to publish the ballot tile as shown in Exhibit B in accordance with City Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a cap on the amount of start-up administrative expenses shall be imposed as shown in Exhibit C; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will execute Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs) with six school districts in a form similar to that shown in Exhibit D; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the ballot measure shall either authorize a limited income tax for arts education and arts access or reject a limited income tax for such purposes. Each voter who votes upon said proposed measure shall vote "yes" or "no" in the space indicated for such vote on the City ballot at said election. A "yes" vote shall approve the limited income tax while a "no" vote shall reject a limited income tax; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor may submit an explanatory statement to the City Auditor for publication in each County's voters' pamphlet; and

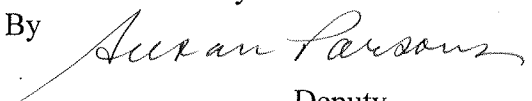
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Auditor is directed to forward to Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington County Elections offices all materials necessary to place this measure on the November 6, 2012, General Election ballot.

Adopted by the Council: JUN 27 2012

Commissioner: Mayor Adams
Prepared by: Cary Clarke/cj
Date Prepared: June 21, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

By


Deputy

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<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Sam Adams</p> <p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams <i>[Signature]</i></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</p> <p>Bureau: Mayor's Office Bureau Head: Mayor Adams</p> <p>Prepared by: J.H. Van Dyke Date Prepared: June 21, 2012</p> <p>Financial Impact & 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 June 27, 2012</p> <p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan <i>[Signature]</i></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JUN 22 2012</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> Deputy</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>
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AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: 2:45</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

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