

Portland, Oregon

# FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT For Council Action Items

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1. Name of Initiator Mary Beth Henry		2. Telephone No. 3-5414	3. Bureau/Office/Dept. OMF/Revenue/OCT
4a. To be filed (hearing date): April 24, 2013	4b. Calendar (Check One) Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and CBO Budget Analyst: April 10, 2013
6a. Financial Impact Section: X Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: X Public involvement section completed	

**1) Legislation Title:**

\*Authorize participation in Federal Communications Commission proceeding on radiofrequency exposure limits and policies (Resolution)

**2) Purpose of the Proposed Legislation:**

File comments in the RF emissions proceeding at the FCC

**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)?**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City-wide/Regional | <input type="checkbox"/> Northeast | <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest | <input type="checkbox"/> North |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Northeast             | <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast | <input type="checkbox"/> Southwest | <input type="checkbox"/> East  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central City                  |                                    |                                    |                                |

**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. N/A

**5) Expense:** What are the costs to the City as a result of 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 year, including Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs, if known, and estimates, if not known. 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**.) N/A

**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.)* N/A
- **Will positions be created or eliminated in future years as a result of this legislation?** N/A

*(Complete the following section only if an amendment to the budget is proposed.)*

**7) Change in Appropriations** *(If the accompanying ordinance amends the budget please reflect the dollar amount to be appropriated by this legislation. Include the appropriate cost elements that are to be loaded by accounting. Indicate "new" in Fund Center column if new center needs to be created. Use additional space if needed.)*

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund Center</b>	<b>Commitment Item</b>	<b>Functional Area</b>	<b>Funded Program</b>	<b>Grant</b>	<b>Sponsored Program</b>	<b>Amount</b>

**[Proceed to Public Involvement Section — REQUIRED as of July 1, 2011]**

**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.

**X NO:** Please, explain why below; and proceed to Question #10.

The City Council is on record with 2 Resolutions related to this Resolution: In May 2009, the City Council unanimously approved a request that the federal government undertake efforts to update studies on the potential human health effects of radiofrequency emissions in light of significant increases in the use of wireless telephones and technology studies. Resolution No. 36706; and, in September 2011, the City Council unanimously adopted a local broadband strategic plan recognizing broadband networks, both wired and wireless, as essential infrastructure fundamental to the future of Portland's citizens and businesses. Resolution No. 36879. Citizens have continued to express support for both Resolutions.

**9) If "YES," please answer the following questions:**

**a) What impacts are anticipated in the community from this proposed Council item?**

**b) Which community and business groups, under-represented groups, organizations, external government entities, and other interested parties were involved in this effort, and when and how were they involved?**

**c) How did public involvement shape the outcome of this Council item?**

**d) Who designed and implemented the public involvement related to this Council item?**

**e) Primary contact for more information on this public involvement process (name, title, phone, email):**

**10) Is any future public involvement anticipated or necessary for this Council item? Please describe why or why not.** No. City staff will incorporate public comments received in relation to the 2 Resolutions outlined above as well as the language in the Resolutions to formulate the City's filing in the FCC proceeding.

Thomas W. Lannom, Director

*Thomas W. Lannom*

APPROPRIATION UNIT HEAD (Typed name and signature)



## Office for Community Technology

City Council  
Agenda Item  
Staff Supplemental Report

37015

TO: Thomas Lannom, Director

FROM: Mary Beth Henry, Manager *MBA*

DATE: April 10, 2013

RE: \*Authorize Participation in Federal Communications  
Commission Proceeding on Radiofrequency Exposure  
Limits and Policies (Resolution)

Requested Placement Date: Consent Agenda on April 24, 2013

I. RECOMMENDATION. Authorize participation in Federal Communications Commission proceeding on radiofrequency exposure limits and policies

II. BACKGROUND. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) recently issued a notice of opening an administrative proceeding to consider the agency's regulations on radiofrequency emissions. *Reassessment of Federal Communications Commission Radiofrequency Exposure Limits and Policies* (ET Docket NO. 13-84); *Proposed Changes in the Commission's Rules Regarding Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields* (ET Docket No. 03-137).

In the agency's notice of proposed rulemaking, the FCC observed that periodic review of administrative regulations ensures that the agency's rules keep pace with current knowledge and changing needs, while implementing National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements for environmental reviews related to health and safety of radiofrequency (RF) emissions from radio transmitters.



According to the FCC, approximately 70% of emergency calls are placed from wireless phones, a percentage that continues to grow and a study conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics noted that between January 2007 to June 2010, the estimated percentage of adults living in wireless-only households in Oregon grew from 18.5% to 30.6%.ing and 39% of Oregon residents are wireless only. Recent industry figures indicate that almost four out of every ten Oregon residents are wireless-only for telecommunications services.

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III. FINANCIAL IMPACT. None

IV. LEGAL ISSUES. Cities currently pre-empted from considering RF Emissions in wireless siting.

V. CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES. Some citizens have expressed concern about RF Emissions from wireless in Portland.

VI. LINK TO CURRENT CITY POLICIES: Resolution 36706 -  
<http://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/webdrawer/webdrawer.dll/webdrawer/rec/3596879>  
 Resolution 36879 -  
<http://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/webdrawer/webdrawer.dll/webdrawer/rec/4513858>

VII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION. Citizens participated in Council adoption of the 2 guiding Resolutions - Resolution No. 36706 and Resolution No. 36879.

VIII. OTHER GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION. None

IX. IF THIS IS A CONTRACT, DOES CONTRACTOR HAVE A  
 CURRENT BUSINESS LICENSE? NA

WHAT IS THEIR BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER?

IS THEIR ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY CURRENT?

IF NOT, HOW MUCH IS OWING?