

Portland, Oregon
FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT
For Council Action Items

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1. Name of Initiator Jaimes Valdez		2. Telephone No. 503-823-2144	3. Bureau/Office/Dept. Planning and Sustainability
4a. To be filed (hearing date): December 4, 2013	4b. Calendar (Check One) Regular Consent 4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and CBO Budget Analyst: November 20, 2013
6a. Financial Impact Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public involvement section completed	

1) Legislation Title:

Authorize the City Attorney to intervene on behalf of the City of Portland in Oregon Public Utility Commission docket UM 1673 (Resolution)

2) Purpose of the Proposed Legislation:

Intervene in proceeding of Oregon Public Utility Commission to present and protect the City's interests in addressing renewable energy questions related to the Oregon Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program.

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)?

- City-wide/Regional Northeast Northwest North
 Central Northeast Southeast Southwest East
 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.

OPUC's docket UM 1673 does potentially alter future revenue from existing photovoltaic (PV) systems installed by City Bureaus utilizing the Oregon Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program, as well as the potential for revenue from similar systems in future years. The Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability is engaged in this topic and will participate as an intervening party.

5) Expense: What are the costs to the City as a result of this legislation? What is the source of funding for the expense?

The City is not required to commit any additional funding. Some city staff will be required to represent the city's interests.

6) Staffing Requirements:

- Will any positions be created, eliminated or re-classified in the current year as a result of this legislation?

None.

- Will positions be created or eliminated in *future years* as a result of this legislation?

None.

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

7) Change in Appropriations

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount

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

The City routinely intervenes in proceedings of the Public Utility Commission to represent the City's interests regarding issues related to energy and utilities.

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.

The City authorizes intervention in PUC matters at public City Council meetings and will continue to do so as necessary.

Susan Anderson/Michael Armstrong

APPROPRIATION UNIT HEAD (Typed name and signature)



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Council Transmittal Memo

DATE: November 14, 2013
TO: Mayor Charles Hales and Members of City Council
FROM: Susan Anderson, Director *SA*

1. Resolution:

Authorize the City Attorney to intervene on behalf of the City of Portland in Oregon Public Utility Commission docket UM 1673 (Resolution)

2. Contact: Jaimes Valdez, Renewable Energy Specialist, 503-823-2144

3. Council Date: December 4, 2013

4. Consent Agenda Item Regular Agenda Item
 Emergency Item (explain below) Non-Emergency Item

5. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Intervene in proceeding of Oregon Public Utility Commission to present and protect the City's interests in addressing issues related to the Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program. The city's list of issues include how the solar resource value is derived, analysis of costs and benefits related to solar energy development, and the allocation of additional photovoltaic (PV) capacity in the program. Also various City bureaus including Portland Parks and Recreation and the Water Bureau have an interest as current owners of solar energy systems receiving payments through the Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program.

6. History of Agenda Item/Background:

The City of Portland's Climate Action Plan establishes short- and long-term goals for carbon reduction which are influenced by the carbon emissions from generating electricity and use of natural gas. Portland has historically participated in PUC dockets when our interests are affected. Through the Oregon Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program, the City has been able to successfully install a number of PV systems, including a recently completed system at the Southwest Community Center. Bureau of Planning and Sustainability is actively developing the Solar Forward Fund, which utilizes the Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program as a key component of community-funded solar projects on City facilities. Portland residents and businesses have also used the program as a mechanism for PV deployment of their properties. The OPUC docket UM 1673 explores the allocation of an additional 2.5 MW of PV capacity in the Solar Incentive Rate Pilot Program, the value of the solar resource, as well as other issues.

Participation in this PUC proceedings allows the city to (1) obtain important information regarding the valuation of solar resources and allocation of PV capacity; (2) be informed of other parties' actions and comments in this proceeding; and (3) influence the outcome of the proceeding for the benefit of the city's Climate Action Plan and for the benefit of the



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citizens of Portland. The Bureaus engaged in this rate case include Planning and Sustainability and the City Attorney. OMF Facilities, Water Bureau and Parks may also have interests.

7. What individuals or groups are or would be supportive or opposed to this action?

Public utilities; energy providers; alternative energy advocates; ratepayer advocates.

8. How does this relate to current City policies?

City of Portland 2009 Climate Action Plan establishes goals for reducing carbon emissions generated by utilities. The City has Charter authority to oversee activities of utilities.

