

## Office of Mayor Charlie Hales City of Portland

## **Convening Budget Committee**

- ♦ I am convening the Budget Committee for the purpose of receiving the budget message. Committee members received copies of the budget document yesterday.
- ♦ This budget is the product of months of work by the City Council, citizen budget advisors and residents, City bureaus, and the City Budget Office.
- ♦ My budget this year is the City's first "stabilization" budget after years of cuts.
- ♦ Although the additional \$11.3 million is only a little less than three percent of the discretionary budget, I have included initiatives aimed at three investment priorities: homelessness and hunger; emergency preparedness; and complete neighborhoods. Other investments address critical needs regarding equity and youth services.
- ♦ My budget includes \$2.3 million to address youth homelessness and build more units of affordable housing.
- ♦ I've allocated \$1.3 million to improve the community emergency notification system and prepare for regional disasters.
- ♦ I've invested \$2.0 million to expand Schools Uniting Neighborhoods, the East Portland Action Plan, and other livability programs.

- ♦ My budget supports the youth in our community by including funding for TriMet bus passes, summer internships, the Earl Boyles Early Learning Center, and the Black Male Achievement initiative.
- ♦ I've addressed equity issues by funding the VOZ day laborers' work center, Southeast Works, and the Diversity and Civic Leadership Program.
- ♦ I maintained a \$1 million innovation fund to be used as start-up funding for projects that will reduce the cost of providing City services.
- ♦ I also maintained a \$3 million contingency fund designed to be used only for real emergencies and unforeseen costs.
- ♦ I want to again thank my colleagues on the Council, and everyone in our community, for helping shape this budget.
- **♦** Are there any questions or comments from the committee?
- ♦ This meeting of the Budget Committee is continued to Thursday, May 15 at 6:30 PM at Council Chambers in City Hall, where we will hear public testimony on the budget. City Hall is located at 1221 SW 4th Ave.
- I am now reconvening this group as the City Council.

## Agenda No. **REPORT NO.**

Title

Mayor's Message to Budget Committee (Mayor convenes Council as the Budget Committee)

INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Mayor Hales</b>	CLERK USE: DATE FILED MAY 0 9 2014	
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL  Mayor—Finance and Administration - Files  Position 1/Utilities - Fritz  Position 2/Works - Fish  Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman  Position 4/Safety - Novick  BUREAU APPROVAL  Bureau: City Budget Office  Bureau Head: Andrew Scott  Prepared by: Jeramy Patton  Date Prepared: 5/7/2014	By:  Deputy  ACTION TAKEN:  MAY 1 4 2014 PLACED ON FILE	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed Amends Budget		
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	,	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code. easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan	*	
Council Meeting Date 5/14/2014		

AGENDA				
TIME CERTAIN ⊠ Start time: 9:30 a.m.				
Total amount of time needed: 10 minutes (for presentation, testimony and discussion)				
CONSENT [				
REGULAR Total amount of time needed:  (for presentation, testimony and discussion)				

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
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1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish	NO	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzma VOTE REGURED		
4. Novick	4. Novick		
Hales	Hales		