ORDINANCE No. 186753

* Authorize agreements with AmeriCorps Programs to provide service members to Portland Parks & Recreation to support bureau goals. (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. Over the years, Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) has sponsored AmeriCorps service members through AmeriCorps Programs like Confluence Environmental Center, which promotes the health of the natural environment and environmental education in underserved communities; Northwest Youth Corps, which engages young adults on resource management projects in their local communities; and other similar organizations.
- 2. PP&R plans to continue sponsoring AmeriCorps members in the future and will do so by entering into agreements with various organizations, often non-profits, that provide service members.
- 3. AmeriCorps service members serve as interns working on projects that support Parks' goals and benefit the City. The services provided by AmeriCorps members have included servings as tree plan outreach coordinators, performing vegetation and tree management, and maintaining trails.
- 4. AmeriCorps members receive training, job experience, and a living allowance, among other benefits.
- 5. The costs of sponsoring an AmeriCorps member vary, with the amount to be stated in the sponsorship agreement and costs to be paid for with budgeted funds. Often payment will be made as a grant to the AmeriCorps provider.
- 6. After several years of successfully working with AmeriCorps service members, PP&R is eager to support the AmeriCorps program by continuing to use these interns in the future. Because Parks regularly sponsors AmeriCorps members, it would be useful and efficient to delegate to the Director of Parks the authority to enter into agreements with various organizations that provide AmeriCorps members.

NOW, THEREFORE, The Council Directs:

a. The Director of PP&R is authorized to execute agreements to sponsor AmeriCorps service members to perform services for PP&R, so long as the costs are funded through the PP&R budget and the agreement is approved as to form by the City Attorney.

b. The Director of Portland Parks and Recreation and the Auditor are authorized to provide payment as stated in the sponsorship agreement, chargeable to the applicable budgets when demand is presented and approved by the appropriate authorities.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists in order to avoid further delay in the commencement of the services to be provided by the AmeriCorps member; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage by Council.

Passed by the Council:

Commissioner Fritz

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor:	CLERK USE: DATE FILED AUG 0'8 2014	*
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Fish Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman Position 4/Safety - Novick BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Parks & Recreation Bureau Head: Mike/Abbate Prepared by: Danielle Bohannan/Zalane Nunn Date Prepared: July 23, 2014	By: Deputy ACTION TAKEN:	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed Amends Budget Council Meeting Date August 13, 2014		
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code. easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan		

AGENDA	
TIME CERTAIN Start time:	
Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	
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FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
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1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish		
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman		
4. Novick	4. Novick		
Hales	Hales		