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## **ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION**

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То:	Moore-Love, Karla
Subject:	Fwd: City Council Agenda item Time Certain today, Wednesday, September 21, 2014
•	Portland's premature bid to land a chief resilience officer

One final thought.

When serving on the League of Women Voter Education Equity Study Committee, Portland Public Schools District #1J had a similar position. PPS Pubic Relations. Yes, all our inquires were routed through that one person office.

Regrettably, it up to eight days for him to respond to numerous committee members -- only to report -- he'd have to get back with answers. Extremely frustrating when none of us could navigate the PPS ever changing WEB.

Again, I am asking you to cancel the \$1 million grant application to the Rockefeller Foundation today.

City of Portland Emergency Responders have are hight skilled to respond to any situation.

Thank you, mas

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Subject: City Council Agenda item -- Time Certain today, Wednesday, September 21, 2014 Portland's premature bid to land a chief resilience officer

Good Morning Mayor Hales and Commissioners:

Not so fast processing that \$1 million grant application to the Rockefeller Foundation today.

Think about this expensive budget item. Stop to ask the question. Does Portland really need to hire a new chief resillience officer to glue these agencies together? What this one employee and those hired later to assist will cost in health benefits and PERS?

Yes, Portland is the City that Works, with highly skilled emergency responders, e.g., Clackamas Town Center, David Douglas High School,

when two children were dropped into the Willamette River.

How can we forget when Mayor Tom Potter was in office, within 48 hours the old Washington High School gymnasium was ready to accept over 1,000 Kartina survivors. Hotels opened, homeowners opened their bedrooms, -- including my neighbor who took in a young couple and their baby girl for over six months.

At the time, the American Red Cross served this communication function between intergovernmental agencies and non-profits. t Now that is a City that Works.