

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Transmit East Portland Action Plan 2016 annual presentation. (Report)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

- Annual presentation from the East Portland Action Plan (EPAP) group, to provide guidance on how to strategically address community-identified issues and allocate resources to improve livability and prevent displacement in East Portland.
- This legislation supports the commitment to the implementation of the City of Portland adopted East Portland Action Plan.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- The City of Portland has committed to ongoing funding for the East Portland Action Plan staff, operations, grants, and Municipal Partnership Program.
- EPAP is NOT seeking a budget amendment, expense change, change in revenue, staffing level change, or financial agreement.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The City of Portland and East Portland community benefit from the progress made toward implementation of the Action Plan through application of city funds/resources and the leveraged funds/resources applied toward the EPAP group's dedication to their charge to provide: leadership and guidance to public agencies and other entities on how to strategically address community identified issues and allocate resources to improve livability and prevent displacement in East Portland. This dedication keeps the Action Plan alive and focuses attention on East Portland.

East Portland is 20% of the land mass of the City of Portland and has over 25% of the City's population and 40% of the City's students. East Portland has significant diversity (schools average over 50% first language other than English) and high rates of poverty (schools with 92% free or reduced lunch). There is an increasing demand to support and include culturally and language-specific education, services, and support in our East Portland Neighborhoods, as East Portland has growing numbers of Oregon's immigrant/refugee/New Portlander community members. City language mapping demonstrates that East Portland has the highest density of English Language Learners.

This past year, EPAP active participation and consensus decision making has involved representation of the following identity elements: Chinese, Iraqi, Bhutanese, Burmese/ Myanmar, Karen, Zomi, Vietnamese, Pacific Islander, Tongan, small business, Business Association, Laotian, Thai, Japanese, Hispanic/Latino/Latina/Mexican American, faith, environmental justice, unemployed, Native American/Indian, Liberian, African American/Black, Somali,

Neighborhood Association, Slavic/Russian Speaking, school/education/learning community, Lesbian/Gay/Bi-sexual/Transsexual/Questioning/Queer, food equity, Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative, social service, park activist, disabled/differently-abled, youth, elder/senior, urban renewal, housing, social change, health, City/County/METRO/TriMet/State government, bike, pedestrian, tenant, homeowner, displaced, houseless/homeless, and arts communities.

Every meeting offered language interpretation, translation, childcare, amplification, healthy-local-sourced-small business food, and was held in mobility accessible locations. Transportation accommodation was made available upon request.

All meetings are open to the public and consensus-based active participation is encouraged. Those who choose to sign a Participation Agreement, after attending two general EPAP meetings, work through consensus to reconcile and build upon the work of the eleven work committees and twenty-five EPAP issue-based Representatives at our general meeting which averages 55 diverse community members. Participation is based on the City adopted Action Plan, but is interest and activist directed.

The Action Plan is an intersectional document designed to promote equity for the under-supported/resourced area identified as East Portland and too often under-represented peoples living in this area. Significant progress is being made in the partnership with EPAP and the City of Portland. We are not aware of any significant objections/concerns engendered by this presentation. We are coming before City Council to demonstrate the benefit of supporting a strength-based community process that is empowered to work with City Council to develop support/agreement in building a just/fair/equitable City.

East Portland Action Plan members will be presenting the work they have been doing with a focus on Civic Engagement, Economic Development, Housing, and Transportation through a lens of Equity and Emergency Preparedness.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES: Please complete the information below.
- NO: Skip this section

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