

**IMPACT STATEMENT**

- Legislation title:** Acknowledge the engineering contributions of the Professional and Technical Employees Local 17 and create the COPPEA Value Capture Program to leverage funding for design and construction of transportation and stormwater infrastructure.
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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

This Resolution will acknowledge the contributions of the City of Portland Professional Employee Association (COPPEA) Chapter of the Professional and Technical Employees Local 17 (PTE Local 17). COPPEA was chartered over 40 years ago. In 2013, COPPEA affiliated with PTE Local 17 and is now a chapter of PTE Local 17. PTE Local 17 represents some 8,000 professional and technical public sector employees in the State of Washington and Oregon. The COPPEA Chapter has about 800 members across the City in ten (10) City bureaus including PBOT. COPPEA Chapter Members provide exceptional service to the City in such classifications as Engineering Technicians, CAD Technicians, and Civil Engineers. Members are proud to be City employees and consistently provide quality infrastructure projects.

The COPPEA Value Capture program will direct the Local Improvement District (LID) Administrator to track the increase in the tax increment for each LID over a 20-year period and capture the increment within the program. The revenue from the value capture will then be spent in commercial zones and higher density residential areas where there is the greatest opportunity to capture infrastructure value.

In the past, successful LIDs have contributed to General Fund surpluses. The intent of the resolution is to continue investing in infrastructure and help increase tax value and the General Fund revenue. Infrastructure will include street lighting, street trees, sidewalks, utility upgrades and stormwater management creating properties ready for development. Each year City Council will be tasked with appropriating money to the value capture program. The money for every LID project will be approved by City Council.

This COPPEA Value Capture Program is being initiated by PTE Local 17 in collaboration with City Council.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

The potential revenue will depend on the number and scope and LID projects, and the associated property tax increments. The LID Administrator will work with the City Economist to review tax increment amounts and bring revenue amounts to Council. For reference, two completed LID projects resulted in City of Portland property tax revenue increases of \$184,535 and \$481,444, respectively, at nine years after final assessment. This is based on historical examples of increased tax increment following completion of LID projects. Actual encumbrances of General Fund revenue will be made during the annual Council budget process and will be based on actual increases in tax increment on a “pay as you go” basis, and will not be bonded against anticipated or estimated future tax increment.

Bart DeLacy of DeLacy Consulting, LLC will explain the financial underpinnings of the COPPEA Value Capture Program.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

Community impacts and community involvement will be included in all LID requests that come before Council. PTE Local 17 anticipates that various community members will testify in support at the time of each individual LID request.

15.9 centerline miles (28.6%) of the 55.7 centerline miles of unpaved streets and 63.1 centerline miles (20.6%) of the 306.8 centerline miles of paved streets without curbs in the CITY are in commercial and high density residential areas targeted by the COPPEA Value Capture Program. These areas include high density residential areas for which the lack of adequate infrastructure is a barrier to the development of additional housing. Similarly, these areas include industrial land in the Columbia Corridor for which the lack of adequate infrastructure is a barrier to the expansion of local businesses and the creation of living wage jobs.

This Resolution will help meet the City’s Vision Zero objective of providing safer and more functional streets by providing paved streets, stormwater management and sidewalks.

Although this program is complex, COPPEA Chapter members have the level of engineering expertise to deliver the visions.

**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

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