

ORDINANCE No. 187683

Authorize grant agreement with Oregon Nikkei Endowment in the amount of \$25,000 to support the renovation and repair of the Japanese American Historical Plaza in the Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park (Ordinance).

The City of Portland Ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. The Oregon Nikkei Endowment (ONE), founded in 1989, supports two projects - the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center, a Japanese American history museum; and the Japanese American Historical Plaza at the Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park. Both the Legacy Center and the Plaza are located in Portland's Old Town, the thriving heart of Japantown (*Nihonmachi*) prior to World War II.
2. The mission of ONE is to share and preserve the history, culture and experiences of Oregon's Nikkei (Japanese and Japanese-American) community.
3. At the Legacy Center, exhibits and collections document early Japanese settlement in Oregon, the history of Japantown, and the events affecting Oregon Nikkei during World War II – the forced evacuation and internment of 120,000 persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast of the United States.
4. The Japanese American Historical Plaza was dedicated in 1990 and memorializes the importance of civil liberties guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution.
5. The Plaza presents the 100-year history of Japanese Americans in Oregon through landscape and poetry, including verse by Oregon Poet Laureate Lawson Inada, and broadens the appreciation for and awareness of Oregon's diverse cultures and history.
6. Since 1990, the Plaza has suffered ongoing damage from vandalism and from vehicle traffic on the site's granite pavers – not an intended or sustainable use.
7. Skateboarders and cyclists have added to the damage by using the large engraved stones for launching ramps, using the Plaza as a skate/cycle park.
8. As a result, the granite pavers and the stones that tell this important history through words and poetry have been severely damaged.
9. The grant agreement will provide financial resources from the City of Portland to ONE to support the renovation and repair of the granite, grounds, and other needed repairs to and around the monument.
10. The repairs to the Japanese American Historical Plaza are estimated to cost \$30,445. After the repairs have been done, ONE will work with the City on a strategy to minimize damage to the Plaza in the future.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. Commissioner Nick Fish is authorized to enter into a Grant Agreement with the Oregon Nikkei Endowment, as outlined in form substantially in accordance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A, upon approval to form by the City Attorney.
- b. The Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver payment in the amount of \$25,000 to the Oregon Nikkei Endowment chargeable to the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget.
- c. The City Council hereby waives the competitive application process for grants as required in FIN 2.04 – Budget.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage of the Spring Budget Monitoring Process by Council.

Passed by the Council: APR 20 2016

Commissioner Nick Fish
Prepared by: Jamie Dunphy
Date Prepared: 07/24/15

Mary Hull Caballero
Auditor of the City of Portland

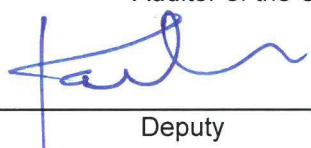
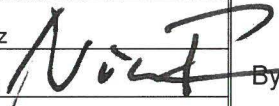

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Fish	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>APR 05 2016</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	<div>Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;"> By: _____ Deputy</div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;">ACTION TAKEN: APR 13 2016 PASSED TO SECOND READING APR 20 2016 9:30 A.M.</div>
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales	
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish 	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Novick	
BUREAU APPROVAL	
Bureau: Office of Commissioner Fish	
Bureau Head:	
Prepared by: Jamie Dunphy Date Prepared: July 24, 2015	
Impact Statement	
Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter 	
Council Meeting Date	

AGENDA	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:	
TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> Start time: _____ Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		YEAS	NAYS
CONSENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1. Fritz	1. Fritz 	
REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	2. Fish	2. Fish 	
	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman 	
	4. Novick	4. Novick 	
	Hales	