



November 2-3, 2022 Council Agenda

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Wednesday, November 2, 2022 9:30 am

Session Status: Recessed

Council in Attendance: Commissioner Carmen Rubio
Commissioner Dan Ryan
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty
Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Commissioner Mapps presided.

Officers in attendance: Karen Moynahan, Chief Deputy City Attorney; Megan Lehman, Acting Council Clerk

Item 914 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and on a Y-4 roll call (Wheeler absent), the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Council recessed at 10:55 a.m.

Communications

906

[Request of Robert Butler to address Council regarding lack of traffic enforcement](#) (Communication)

Document number: 906-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

907

[Request of Fatima Magomadova to address Council regarding crashes and SE Division St project](#)
(Communication)

Document number: 907-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Ted Harvey to address Council regarding experience working as a Concrete Finisher](#) (Communication)

Document number: 908-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Ryan McConnell to address Council regarding more jobs and attracting wider industries for downtown](#) (Communication)

Document number: 909-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

910

[Request of Tim Sessler to address Council regarding work contribution to the City](#) (Communication)

Document number: 910-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

Time Certain

911

[*Authorize applications to the U.S. Department of Transportation and U.S. Department of Energy for two grants to support transportation decarbonization not to exceed \\$5.5 million](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191051

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Time certain: 9:45 am

Time requested: 30 minutes

Disposition: Passed As Amended

Motion to amend the ordinance not to exceed total funding to \$5.5 million and to replace "approximately" with "no less than" in Finding 8. Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-4)

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

912

[Amend the Comprehensive Plan Map and Zoning Map for property at 4928 NE 11th Avenue at the request of Allison Reynolds, Stoel Rives LLP \(LU 21-098835 CP ZC\)](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191052

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Development Services (BDS)

Time certain: 10:15 am

Time requested: 5 minutes

Previous agenda item 862.

Oral and written record closed on October 6, 2022.

Disposition: Passed As Amended

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

Consent Agenda

913

[*Authorize Settlement Agreement between the City and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 189 to resolve a grievance](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191053

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: City Attorney; Development Services (BDS); Human Resources; Management and Finance

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

914

[*Authorize Director of the Community Safety Division to execute grant agreements for gun violence reduction programs](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Community Safety Division; Management and Finance

Agenda item 914 was pulled from the Consent Agenda to be referred back to Mayor Wheeler's Office.

Disposition: Referred to Commissioner of Finance and Administration

915

[Authorize Cooperative Improvement Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for sewer facility adjustments for the US 26 SE Powell Blvd: SE 99th Ave – East City Limits Project in the amount of \\$100,000](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191066

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Environmental Services

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading November 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

916

[*Authorize grant application to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the Fossil Fuel Terminal Zoning and Comprehensive Plan Amendments project not to exceed \\$450,800](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191054

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Planning and Sustainability

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

917

[*Accept grant in the amount of \\$619,137 from the Oregon Department of Transportation and authorize Intergovernmental Agreement for the Portland Traffic Signal Performance Measures Development and Evaluation Project](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191055

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

918

[*Accept grant in the amount of \\$34,922 from the Oregon Department of Transportation and authorize Intergovernmental Agreement for Safe Routes to School education and programming in Parkrose School District](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191056

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

919

[*Accept grant in the amount of \\$840,435 from the Oregon Department of Transportation and authorize Intergovernmental Agreement for the Traffic Signal Controller Replacement Project](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191057

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

920

[*Accept grant in the amount of \\$227,196 from the Oregon Department of Transportation and authorize Intergovernmental Agreement for the Traffic Signal Improvements on SE Holgate Blvd & 92nd Ave Project](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191058

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

921

[*Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Health & Science University for Medical Wellness Director services for Portland Fire & Rescue firefighters not to exceed \\$350,000](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191059

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Portland Fire & Rescue

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

922

[Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement between United States Coast Guard and Portland Fire & Rescue to provide fire protection and emergency medical, hazardous material and confined space rescue services](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191067

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Portland Fire & Rescue

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading November 9, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

923

[Amend Legislation & Elections Code to update deadlines related to vote abstracts \(amend Code Sections 2.04.160 and 2.08.120\)](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191060

Introduced by: Auditor Mary Hull Caballero

Bureau: City of Portland Elections Office

Second reading agenda item 893.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

Regular Agenda

924

[Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland State University to design and execute a summit in early 2023 on equitable civic engagement and co-governance for amount not to exceed \\$108,850](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191061

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Office of Community & Civic Life

Second reading agenda item 890.

Disposition: Passed As Amended

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

925

[Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland State University to expand and improve the Neighborhood Profiles project for amount not to exceed \\$61,250](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191062

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Office of Community & Civic Life

Second reading agenda item 891.

Disposition: Passed As Amended

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Absent

Wednesday, November 2, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: Recessed

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Commissioner Dan Ryan

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided.

Officers in attendance: Lauren King, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

Council recessed at 2:52 p.m.

Time Certain

926

[Adopt South Portland Historic District Design Guidelines as district-specific historic resource review approval criteria and repeal the Lair Hill Historic Conservation District Design Guidelines](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191063

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Planning and Sustainability

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 1 hour

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading November 9, 2022 at 10:15 a.m. Time Certain

Oral and written record are closed.

Thursday, November 3, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: Adjourned

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Commissioner Dan Ryan

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided.

Commissioner Rubio left at 6:11 p.m.

Officers in attendance: Wendy Hain, Senior Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

Council recessed at 3:46 p.m. and reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

Council adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Time Certain

[Establish key actions to increase affordable housing construction](#) (Resolution)

Document number: 37593

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours

Previous agenda item 899 (1 of 5).

Disposition: Adopted As Amended

Motion to include subsection 1.C. under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED section, "The Portland Housing Bureau shall work collaboratively with any other City bureau actively acquiring property to explore whether those acquisitions may also be used, in whole or in part, for affordable housing development. This collaborative effort related to property acquisition should continue beyond February 1, 2023 and become a permanent practice between the Portland Housing Bureau and other City bureaus.": Moved by Rubio and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

Motion to include BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED section, "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Attorney shall create an analysis and report back to Council no later than February 28, 2023 on how the City can best utilize its power of eminent domain to rapidly house Portlanders during this housing emergency.": Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-Rubio, Hardesty; N-Mapps, Ryan, Wheeler). Motion failed to pass.

Votes: Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

[Assess options to increase coordination and enhance unhoused access to paid non-standard work](#) (Resolution)

Document number: 37594

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours

Previous agenda item 900 (2 of 5).

Disposition: Adopted

Motion to include BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED section, "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, during the development of this policy there shall be a convening of a group of community experts on employment options for unhoused communities to shape the assistance needed for the City to create a new employment platform; and": Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-Rubio, Hardesty; N-Mapps, Ryan, Wheeler). Motion failed to pass.

Votes: Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

[Connect mental health and substance abuse recovery services to unhoused individuals](#) (Resolution)

Document number: 37595

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours

Previous agenda item 901 (3 of 5).

Disposition: Adopted As Amended

Motion to remove under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED subsection 1.A.I., "a maximum of 500 people per campus when divided into quadrants" and replace with, "up to six campuses with a maximum of 250 each when divided up" and under subsection 1.B., remove "three" and replace with "six": Moved by Rubio and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-Mapps, Rubio, Ryan, Hardesty; N-Wheeler)

Motion to include WHEREAS section, "WHEREAS, over 60% of the houseless population in Portland have self-identified disabilities we must ensure that sanctioned large scale campsites have sufficient facilities to address these varied needs[xli]; and" and reference link [xli].: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. Motion withdrawn.

Motion to include WHEREAS section, "Whereas the City is committed to serving the needs of unhoused individuals with disabilities and connecting them with appropriate services in City shelters and campsites [xli]; and" and reference link [xli].: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-5)

Motion to remove under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED section, "complete an operational plan to phase-in over 18 months, once funding has been secured, a citywide ban on self-sited unsanctioned encampments coupled with designated alternative camping sites with services" and replace with, "develop a plan to limit self-sited unsanctioned encampments in consultation with experienced community partners once sufficient capacity exists to assist the City's houseless population and meet the City's legal requirements": Moved by Hardesty and not seconded. Vote not called.

Motion to remove under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED subsection 1.A.I., "a maximum of 500 people per campus when divided into quadrants": Moved by Hardesty and not seconded. Vote not called.

Motion to remove under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED subsection 1.A.I.a., "on each campus" and replace "18" with "6" months.: Moved by Hardesty and not seconded. Vote not called.

Motion to include subsection 1.A.I.b. under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED section, "After the establishment of initial camps the City may consider creating a campus model where multiple camps are approved on a single large City controlled property.": Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. Motion withdrawn.

Motion to include under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED subsection 1.B., "that that must be diversely spread across the City": Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-Mapps, Rubio, Hardesty; N-Ryan, Wheeler)

Motion to include under the NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED section, "as part of the annual budget process, the SSCC will provide an update to individual Council Offices by the end of each fiscal year regarding the total

available beds and the safety of designated alternative camping sites;”: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-5)

Votes: Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Nay
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

930

[Set City budget priorities to implement affordable housing, connect homeless individuals with sanitary, mental health and substance abuse recovery services and request assistance from County, Metro, State, and Federal partners](#) (Resolution)

Document number: 37596

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours

Previous agenda item 902 (4 of 5).

Disposition: Adopted - Substitute

Motion to accept the substitute resolution: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

Motion to include BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED section, “BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City shall convene a planning coordination summit between local, county, metro, state, and federal officials to explore how to best utilize available funding and land.”: Moved by Hardesty and not seconded. Vote not called.

Motion to include BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED section, “ BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City calls upon the State of Oregon to consider allocating up to \$1 billion of kicker funding towards rent assistance and affordable housing production during the 2023 legislative session.”: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-Rubio, Hardesty; N-Mapps, Ryan, Wheeler). Motion failed to pass.

Votes: Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

931

[Create a diversion program for individuals experiencing homelessness](#) (Resolution)

Document number: 37597

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours

Previous agenda item 903 (5 of 5).

Disposition: Adopted

Votes: Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Absent
Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

**Portland City Council Meeting Speaker List
November 2, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.**

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Commissioner Mingus Mapps	
Megan Lehman	
Commissioner Carmen Rubio	
Commissioner Dan Ryan	
Commissioner JoAnn Hardesty	
Karen Moynahan	
Fatima Magomadova	907
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Tim Sessler	910
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Ingrid Fish	911
Jacob Sherman	911
Elyssia Lawrence	911
Jeanette Shaw	911
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November 2, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.**

Name	Agenda Item
Mayor Ted Wheeler	
Keelan McClymont	
Commissioner Mingus Mapps	
Commissioner Carmen Rubio	
Commissioner Dan Ryan	
Commissioner JoAnn Hardesty	
Lauren King	
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**Portland City Council Meeting Speaker List
November 3, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.**

Name	Agenda Item
Mayor Ted Wheeler	
Keelan McClymont	
Commissioner Mingus Mapps	
Commissioner Carmen Rubio	
Commissioner Dan Ryan	
Commissioner JoAnn Hardesty	

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November 2, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

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Speaker: Before we call the roll I just want to note that commissioner Hardesty is remote today -- you have your hand up. Yes.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: thank you, president Mapps. I am in remote this morning but will be in person this afternoon.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you with that noted, Megan, please call the roll.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: Here.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: Here.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: Here.

Speaker: Wheeler.

Speaker: M. Mapps: now we'll turn it over to legal council for the rules of legal decorum.

Speaker: City Council is holding hybrid public meetings with in-person attendance in addition to electronic attendance. If you wish to testify before council, you must sign up in advance by visiting the council agenda at www.Portland.gov/council/agenda. You may sign up for communication to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony and resolutions,

reports or first readings of ordinances. Written testimony may be submitted at cctestimony@Portland.gov. When testifying, please state your name for the record, your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you're a lobbyist, if you're representing an organization, please identify it. Please unmute yourself once the council clerk calls your name. The presiding officer preserving order and decorum during City Council meetings so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, and safe. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. Disruptive conduct such as shouting, refusing to conclude your testimony when your time is up or interrupting other's testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning will be given that further disruptions may result in the person being ejected from the meeting. A person failed to leave a meeting is subject to arrest for trespass. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you. First up is communications. Item 906. Megan, please read this item title.

Speaker: Request of Robert Butler to address council regarding lack of traffic enforcement.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome, Robert.

Speaker: Hi. Robert is still on his way. There is a huge traffic on Division Street. Is it okay if I start?

Speaker: M. Mapps: clerk, what do we do in this situation.

Speaker: We can move forward to item 907.

Speaker: M. Mapps: we'll come back to 906. Welcome. Name for the record, please.

Speaker: May I read the item into the record?

Speaker: M. Mapps: of course.

Speaker: Request of fatima magomadova to address council regarding crashes and southeast division street project.

Speaker: Good morning. I'm here to address ongoing safety concerns on division street. It is a sad change of events when pbot went underground from public participation and it's sad that no one on the City Council helped or participated with the difficulties on this chaotic division street project. Division street is a confusing disaster. Customers continually complain about the disaster. And it's worse at night when you drive in the rain at night and you cannot see which u-turn -- if you take u-turn in the wrong place you can end up in a head-on crash. Think about when there is snow on division street. Our store is open until 11 p.m. At night and we have more safety problems because it's very difficult to see at night which u-turns can safely be taken. My customers tell me I kept driving and looking for u-turn until I found myself approaching freeway and I gay up. This is not only safety concern but it hurts the revenues for the store. Another problem we're dealing with is lack of parking. We're giving only two parking stalls instead of the four that we used to have before. I hear every day commissioners complaining it is too confusing and there is no street parking when they get to the store. Another concern I have, why engineers didn't consider the needs of our trucking accidents. Why there was no desin for the truck to make turns. Yet bicycles have the upper hand over cars making cars do all of the detours. Worse yet, the by cycle curbs are in the way of the traffic and increasing crashes. Why not bicycles take detours for safety reasons. Why not detour them to safer streets. It would be perfectly working for bikes if the [inaudible] where clinton is now [inaudible]. The last curbside parking stalls moved away from the curb makes it more difficult to safely park. You can't see the parking lines while in your car. Sometimes you to get out of your car and walk around to see if your car is in the striping. This is very unsafe. So 20 City Council presentations

later, why don't anyone on this City Council do anything to provide alternatives to our problem and why is it now the City Council acts like it's not interested in what the public has to say, contrary to what City Council wants to do. It is time to turn the disaster around, do something about it and show us that you care. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you. Megan, can you read item 9 -- [inaudible] right. Do we proceed in numerical order and come back to Robert at the end? Robert, we'll ask you to be patient and continue to 908, please.

Speaker: Request of ted harvey to address council regarding experience working as a concrete finisher.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome, ted. Hi. You can come on up and sit at the counter. Hi, ted.

Speaker: Hi. How are you?

Speaker: M. Mapps: thanks for coming in in person today.

Speaker: This isn't rain. This is sweat.

Speaker: M. Mapps: don't worry about it. We're friendly here. Good morning mr. Mayor and good morning commissioners. I'm ted harvey, a union member of labors 43 and a lead concrete finisher with the city of Portland. This is the best job I've ever had. Our main focus is ada compliant conference. Ada creates access to neighborhoods where there isn't for the sight impaired, blind, people in wheelchairs, citizens with canes and walkers. Ada creates the ability to access stores, markets, communities and attend religious services. Without feeling like a burden to family and friends. We will all be there some day and appreciate the accessibility that this provides. No matter what neighborhood we think if, people thank us for the work we do and what it means to them and how it connects their community together. Five years ago the city enter into a settlement and we have a mandate of 1500 ramps sit wide. We don't meet our numbers we're sued or fined.

That put a tremendous amount of pressure on us to exceed. We're the best at what we do. We have the highest compliance rate of any city on the west coast. We've currently asking us to train private contractors that do the adas for the city and they get pay \$4 to \$6 an hour more than us to help train them. This is due in large to many of our finishers have 3,000 to 10,000 corners complete. I have over 10,000 corners completed. So with that kind of experience, we have the most experience of anybody in the city constructing ada corners. We're asked to fill in as upgrade supervising and we also design corners. So some of our corner designs, this is what we called field engineers. That was before creek. This is after creek. Everything is intense and hundreds now that we have to comply with. Concrete is a plastic substance that goes hard and we have to hurry up and get it done. We have the -- they did a study and we have the 98% compliance rate in the west coast. There's no other city that has a higher compliance rate than us. So we're also asked to fill in as upgrade supervising, design corners and inspections. Our group manager asked me to write an sap for our section during covid to continue providing the level of service during the pandemic. We are negotiating in our contract and we're paid 35.70 an hour and the city of tacoma and sacramento, they're all at 40 an hour. We can't hire people. We just had a hiring -- we had four people apply, two no-showed and two we were going to hire but they're not the level of finishers that we needed. When I applied 21 years ago there were 103. Dang. I couldn't get all of it.

Speaker: M. Mapps: ted, I want to thank you -- commissioner hardesty, yes, please.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: thank you. I don't think our speaker had a lot more to say and I would love him to have the opportunity to finish if it's okay with council.

Speaker: M. Mapps: absolutely. Ted, if you have any finishing thoughts, we'd love

to hear it.

Speaker: Thank you so much. So we've lost five finishers in the last two to three years due to low wages and basically the private sector is so far ahead of us. When I started here 21 years ago we were comparable in wages and our benefits just blew everybody away. This is like work in the land of oz. This is why I loved working in city. Now the private contractors are able to compete with each other and the city, now their benefits are basically pretty much the same as us and now their wages have gone up to 40. City of sacramento is just a penny or two under 43 an hour. We cannot hire people at 35.70 an hour. I talked to the supervisor up in tacoma, he runs all of the concrete there, they pay 40 an hour and they've had finisher openings for three years. I they just hired one because that's all the applicants they got. Nobody will work at 40 an hour doing concrete. When I started it was 2 .50 an hour and finishers were at \$10 an hour. And now finishers are making a hundred grand a year. I could never in my life believe somebody could get paid so much to finish concrete. We would like to maintain just the level of professionalism that we do for the city. We're the best and want to continue to be the best. To be able to do that, we hire journeyman finishers and bring them in because ada is a specific skill set. Nobody has to do that on the private sector. I can pour floors, patios and sidewalks and all sorts of finishes, but ada, with the ramps, continually changing the specs on the scope that we do, these have to be right on the numbers. They have to be perfect. If we're over this much, they will negate this and tell us either to grind it or we have to take it out. That's why most private contractors they bid twice.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: excuse me, ted. I thought you were going to finish reading your letter.

Speaker: It is part of it. I'm trying to shorten my letter. Just in short, we can't make a profit. You guys get it at cost and private contractors bid them twice. It's an

incredible amount of savings that we have toward the city. And then also we would like to still continue our level of service that we provide for the public. So sorry.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great. Ted, thank you for your testimony and thank you for your service to our city.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: those were the exact words I was going to say as well, mr. President. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great. Megan, can you read the next communications item.

Speaker: Item 909, request of Ryan mcconnell to address council regarding more jobs and attracting wider industries for downtown.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome, Ryan. Is Ryan online?

Speaker: It doesn't appear so. I think Ryan was supposed to attend in person.

Speaker: M. Mapps: okay. Let's go to 910.

Speaker: Request of tim sessier to address council regarding work contribution to the city.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome, tim. Is tim online?

Speaker: Tim, are you able to unmute?

Speaker: Hello?

Speaker: M. Mapps: hi, tim.

Speaker: Can you hear me? Good morning.

Speaker: M. Mapps: hi, tim. You have -- we can hear you loud and clear. You're welcome to begin your testimony.

Speaker: Okay. My name is tim sessier and I'm the only person filling the only machinist position that exists in the city's schedule of job classifications. This position has been tied with that other of the other classifications that exist only at the environmental services, the wastewater operator, machinists are lumped together and receive the same rate of faye even though the skill set for each job

classification are different. It requires extensive knowledge of the manufacturing process to achieve reliable repair. This requires a deeply rooted knowledge of choosing the appropriate material [inaudible]. Corrosion and chemical resistance must be considered as to whether it will have the strength needed for the application. This position is that of an essential employee who is required to report to work even when many other bureaus shut down and open late. We were some of the first to return to work at the treatment plant. This job cannot be done remotely and requires me to be on site every day to provide the services I provide. This is involved in collaborative work with the technicians from other crafts and help them streamline and simplify some of their work by designing and manufacturing tools for them or modifying existing equipment to simplify how they deal with maintaining it. In addition to the normal repair machine work, design and make changes to equipment to improve reliability and reduces failures. Oftentimes improving reliability to where only oil changes and replacing normal wear items are needed. This keeps equipment viable and running instead of being replaced by utilizing the knowledge of manufacturing to be able to produce parts that are no longer available when manufacturers have deemed them obsolete, have issues with their own manufacturing process or with the recent supply change issues due to the pandemic. To stay current, I have spent hundreds of hours of my own time taking evening classes at local community colleges, utilizing the tuition reimbursement program that requires me to pay for the classes out of pocket until I complete and receive a passing grade. I've aid inquired various skills for welding use modern processes, to computer drafting and using 3-d model cad cam software with technologies that allow me to be since I'm the only machinist. The city has benefited more from these additional skills than I have since I've not earned any additional pay for them. The wage increase being asked for by the union is

supported by my direct supervisor along with the division manager and even our previous director all say they were in support of this position, finally receiving a fair, far overdue and deserved pay increase above and outside what the cost of living is negotiated. When you consider this position, it is the single class exists only in one city bureau and is filled by one person. This wage increase is not going to be a huge cost to the city. The wage increase is being bargained for to recognize the value of this position. I want you to know this position is paid from a minimum of 10% to as much as 68% less than other similar municipalities pay for the same level of skill and all of that with inflation hitting record levels, I have taken a pay cut. It's way past time for the city to recognize the value this position provides to the city. Take an honest look at the facts regarding what other municipal wastewater treatment plants pay their machinists. I've made these positions comparable in a spread sheet --

Speaker: M. Mapps: he's over, right? Tim, thank you so much for that testimony. You were about a minute over. I heard you, though, and I will let you know. I will have my staff follow up on this issue and we will get educated on it. I appreciate your testimony today and I appreciate your service to the city and the bureau I oversee. With that, Megan, do we have Robert here for 906.

Speaker: We do.

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Here. Guilty.

Speaker: Robert I'm going to read it into the record real quick. Request of Robert Butler to address council regarding lack of traffic enforcement.

Speaker: Good morning, everybody.

Speaker: M. Mapps: hi, Robert. This is Robert Butler, president of Portland. I'm going to talk about traffic enforcement but I will say that somebody has increased

the traffic enforcement from zero to something that we can see. And so that's -- I hope we haven't created problems elsewhere. But I can see the difference.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great.

Speaker: So I'm going to start out with a couple of updates. [poor audio] it's the no left-turn sign. I told you that a month ago. This is a death trap. Pbot is absolutely negligent, totally negligent. I hate to tell you, I would say it's at the point now that someone gets killed there on a left turn there, it's manslaughter. Here's a store on division. Major retailer on division, furniture, stereo and what not. The owner called me up three days ago and said, I know you worked in the community about concerns on division. I have to tell you now we are closing our business on December 1st. What happened on division street was pivotal in our decision [poor audio] sara pearson from the pawnshop, she was in her car trying to make her first-ever testimony to City Council and after her complaining, the response from commissioner hardesty was, what we're trying to do on division is change behavior. And that is the justification for what's happening on division. Well, changing behavior is something that's pretty amazing to do. Science has been unable to do that very well. And to change the behavior of 30,000 drivers per day, I would say that's not going to work. So the purpose -- my concern is that we got to get to reality here. Judgment is only as good as our information. We're denying the information and replacing etiology about climate control and unusual ideas for transportation. So in the meantime, I would suggest if you're driving, particularly with your family, do not drive on division unless you have to and be very careful if you drive on division at night that you're really taking a risk in your hand for someone taking a wrong left turn and crashing right into you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you, robert. And I see commissioner hardesty has her hand up. Commissioner hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: mr. Butler, you're done. I have nothing to say to you. This is for my colleagues, thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: commissioner hardesty, yes.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: I want my colleagues to know that unfortunately someone lost their life on southeast division over the weekend who is a bicyclist and it appears -- it appears -- the investigation is ongoing, but it appears that the bicyclist may have ran the light. It appears that weather may have been a factor. And what I know for sure is that the information is continuing. And so I want to be really clear. We are changing behavior because automobiles should not continue to run into people, period. And it must be safe for pedestrians and all modes of transportation. And so I just did not want mr. Butler's testimony to stay on the record as if it was factual information. For more information I would wait until the investigation has been concluded and then it will be a public document. And as we also know, the federal discrimination complaint was found unfounded and dismissed by mr. Butler and company. They can come every month and try to provide misinformation, but my job is to save lives on division and that's what we as a council have made a commitment to do. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you, commissioner hardesty. Megan, does that conclude our communications for today?

Speaker: It does.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great. Colleagues, next we'll go to our first time center item, 911, which is scheduled for 9:45. Megan, please read the title for 911.

Speaker: Authorize applications to the u.s. Department of transportation and u.s. Department of energy for grants to accelerate transportation decarbonization not to exceed \$4 million. Commissioner hardesty, I believe this is your item.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: that is correct. I have folks from the bureau of

transportation to tell you why we think we are very well-positioned to acquire this federal grant. I cannot see the screen because -- who is here from pbot.

Speaker: M. Mapps: I think we might have kristin, jacob and ingrid.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: thank you for being here. Take it away.

Speaker: Before we start, this is the planning division manager, would you mind read the amendment that we provided, or if you don't have it, we can help out.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: yes. I forgot about that. Hold for just a sec. Okay. I'm ready. I would like to read into the record an amendment for the ordinance not to exceed 5.5 million in total funding. Instead of the current not to exceed 4 million amount. Because [inaudible] have been working hard finalizing the grant commission. We wanted to make sure that we would pursue the full amount needed for these grants. And, therefore, I move to amend title ordinance to read, authorize applications to the u.s. Department of transportation and u.s. Department of energy for two grants not to exceed 5.5 million [inaudible]. And I move to amend section 1, item 8, to read, for the park an charge grant, local matching funds of no less than \$750,000 will be provided from climate sector partners, including but not limited to Portland general electric and pacific group. And finally, I move to amend section a to read the mayor is hereby authorized to make applications to grants in the amount of up to 5.5 million to the u.s. Department of emergency and u.s. Department of transportation. Can I get a second?

Speaker: C. Rubio: second.

Speaker: M. Mapps: megan, do we do the roll call now on the amendments?

Speaker: We can do that.

Speaker: M. Mapps: let's do the roll call on the amendments and then we'll hear about this ordinance and take public testimony.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: M. Mapps: sure, commissioner Ryan, do you want to have some discussion on the amendment?

Speaker: D. Ryan: yeah, it's the first I've heard about it and I wanted to hear a little more about the amendments from those who brought it to the dais.

Speaker: M. Mapps: do you want to pose a question --

Speaker: D. Ryan: -- called out some of the private partners. Pgu is the one I recall hearing. Were they consulted? I need to know that for starters.

Speaker: M. Mapps: sure.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: I can answer that, commissioner, if you would like. The good news is that our partners came up with more money, right. So they're investing their resources as well. And we do not want to lose the opportunity to have them put more money into this effort.

Speaker: D. Ryan: well that was compelling. Thank you. Good to hear that at this moment.

Speaker: M. Mapps: any further discussion on the amendments or actually let me ask staff. Staff, do you have -- would you like to elaborate on the origin of these amendments and what they're intended to do?

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty got it right, which is that we're really upping the total amounts of the grants to maximize the grant request based on the ability to secure additional local match. Our -- how much grant money we could apply for was controlled by how much local match we could raise and in the last few weeks we found a way to with our partners to come up with slightly more money.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, any additional monies?

Speaker: D. Ryan: I'm hearing that was an adaptive solution so we could engage more of our private partners in this collective effort?

Speaker: That is correct.

Speaker: D. Ryan: I thought I would help you frame that so it's easier to vote yes. Thank.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, any additional questions or thoughts on these amendments? Hearing none, call the roll on the amendments.

Speaker: Rue yo.

Speaker: C. Rubio: aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: thank you, colleagues. As you know I am not someone to bring last-minute amendments. Wu the ability to get 5.5 million as compared to 4 million I thought was compelling enough to bring these amendments forward. I am appreciative of your support. I vote aye.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: aye. And do we have a staff presentation on the ordinance itself?

Speaker: Yes, we do. Thanks for that prompt.

Speaker: No problem. As we jump in we'll talk about the background and context of electrification and the smart grant application, give you some details of what we're applying for grant money to do and answer any questions you might have. We also have some testimony today from those private sector partners and other community partners who have been engaged in the development of these grant applications. Before we jump in I would like to recognize a couple of staff people who have really gone above and beyond in making these grant applications happen. So Jacob Sherman who you'll hear from today is our new program mobility manager and Hannah is a program manager. She won't be speaking with you today

but I wanted to make sure she got a little bit of recognition because she's been burning the night oil in order to get these applications done. They're always just a ton of work and a ton of benefit. Next slide. I want to remind us that we have policy mandates in the city to advance electrification as part of the transportation system. The climate emergency calls for the increased attention to electrification. We have a 2017 city of Portland electric vehicle strategy and our pbot plan has a strong focus on electrification of vehicle miles traveled. Next slide, please. Pbot has a three-prong strategy to address the climate justice. Part of that is really around how we encourage people to make more trips by biking, walking and transit. Those are ways to reduce vehicle miles driven. And that happens through the kinds of facilities we plan and build, the kinds of policy and pricing incentives we have in place, how we activate and encourage folks on the system. We know however there will be some trips that remain in cars and trucks and for those we want to help shift driver to cleaner fuels and vehicles. And that's the part of the triangle we're going to be talking about today. We know we'll need to take action on all three parts of this triangle in order to meet our goals of reducing transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions by 50% by 2030 and net zero by 2050 and it will take a strong city role to make sure those benefits are distributed equitably throughout the community. Next slide, please. Pbot has done a lot of thinking over the last more than three years, three and a half years I've been at the city in thinking about what our role in transportation electrification is and how we help to advance the goals we have of shifting more driver to the electrified trips and how we do that in a way to reflects our commitment to equity. One thing that we've really realized that we can do that's in pbot's lane, so to speak, is to think about how we encourage ev charging, particularly using the right of way for electric vehicle charging. We can fill market gaps and encourage the market to show up for all Portlanders, not just

though in the high level of electric vehicle adoption. This allows us to receive federal funding. The Biden administration is making an unprecedented commitment to electric vehicle charging and this is a way that we can capture some of the funding for Portlanders. Pbot can also send market signals and help create federal policy to make it clear and easier to understand. We can also partner with the private sector partner to provide infrastructure and low carbon mobility options. While we don't want to own, operate, maintain chargers, we can help make space available for those chargers, making them more likely to occur that supports our equity goals and we can also provide electric mobility options to Portlanders, e-bikes, scooters and the streetcar. I talked about the public right of way. An asset that Pbot has. Some this is one part of that strategy. It's not the whole strategy. You're going to hear about a couple of things that we want to do in this space. I'm going to hand it to Ingrid Fish from the Bureau of Sustainability to talk more about vehicle electrification.

Speaker: Hello, City Council members. As Kristin said, I'm Ingrid Fish. I work on decarbonization policy and I partnered with Pbot staff on this grant and decarbonization generally. Thank you for the opportunity to speak to the next couple of slides and give some context of the EVs. Thankfully EVs have been getting much more affordable over time. The cost of the current EV on the Portland market is comparable to a gas vehicle. As you can see on this slide, it's comparing an electric vehicle and a comparable gas vehicle and the electric vehicle is actually less expensive. These cars are on the market as of a few days ago. EVs are cheaper to own than internal combustion engine vehicles due to less maintenance costs, especially now when gas prices are extremely high. Modeling shows that an EV owner can save an average of \$6,000 over the vehicle's life span which is especially significant for low-income residents. Next slide, please. Additionally, low-income

residents tend to be disproportionately exposed to transportation related air quality issue due to poor neighborhoods proximity to busy highways and corridors that they can benefit the most from less pollution and more car ownership costs. Now that we're at this point in time where evs are relatively affordable, the lack of infrastructure is the next barrier to address to increase access to low-income households. They disproportionately live in rent houses. An installing the ev structure in a house that you do not own is challenging and more complex when you live in a multifamily building. Oftentimes this means that low-income families need to rely on the publicly-accessible charging. It is less likely to be located in lower-income neighborhoods. Charging companies typically install public chargers in higher-income neighborhoods and use information such as historical rates of hybrid ownership and income level to inform their charging installation plans. Oftentimes that means that private sector ev charging station stations skip over lower-income neighborhoods for bipoc and low-income Portlanders. I'm going to hand it over to jacob sherman to talk more about our plans to address this issue.

Speaker: Thanks, ingrid. Thank you, council president Mapps and commissioners. My name is jacob sherman. I work at the Portland bureau of transportation. And as ingrid was saying, unfortunately in our city current availability of public electric vehicle charging is not equal or equitable today. Market driven installations are not distributed kind of equally around the city as represented in the map on the right. The areas in gray are our land use centers where we have designated most of the growth to occur in our city. And those -- in red as well. And those in gray are centers that currently have access to public ev charging and those in red are areas that currently lack any access whatsoever as of today. And so as we are thinking about how we support growth and how we create more multiunit dwellings with little to no on-site parking, where those people are

going to be able to charge their electric vehicles becomes kind of a key problem and that is one of the solutions we're trying to tackle through the grant. It's also important to know thinking about especially residents who live further to the north or the east who are more likely to continue relying on personal vehicles in the near term because options like safe biking or rapid transit just aren't available right now. And so an equity focus really calls us to think about electrifying those places first. Which takes us to our first grant here today. This is a three, just over \$3 million grant to the u.s. Department of energy, focused on providing overnight charging options to people who live in multiunit dwellings or lack access to home charging. This is based off of some pilot -- some innovative pilot work we've been doing with port land general electric and would like to thank them to develop a low-cost scalable program that will install 50 level-two chargers in the right of way. A big part of the work is not just about charging, but it's community outreach and engagement, third-party evaluation and documenting the best practices that we as a city alongside our private-sector partners have been innovating on and sharing those lessons learned with the nation. We're make a commitment to install 40% of the charges in the lower-income neighborhoods. And we're going to work hard to reduce barrier to ev adoption. We have a great set of partners on this grant, both Portland general electric and pacific corp are providing substantial match. The match has been increased to over a million dollars. We would like to thank them for that. We're working with the Oregon department of transportation for Portland state university and more. And this is an example of what it might look like if we're successful with this grant. You can imagine kind of on the lower right-hand corner, kind of one of our main streets in some of our areas, whether that's division or hawthorne or kenton, having charging kind of accessible around the corner from some of those busier parts of our city to provide access to charging overnight for

individuals. This grant is going to address some of the barriers that Ingrid and I have both talked about in terms of home charging is more affordable and working with our partners we're going to be providing affordable opportunities here. We're going to be working to make it more reliable for people living in apartments or in homes that they rent to be able to charge. Increasing access to all Portlanders will have the ability to benefit from electrification. And then again providing lessons learned to other cities around the United States. So our grant is due next week. If we're successful, we would learn that in January of the new year and it would be returning to City Council sometime in early to mid 2023 for approval to accept the grant. Our second grant that we're here getting approval for is really focused on the goal of making freight cleaner which is action items that we have outlined as a city in our climate emergency work plan and we have also engaged on very heavily in our 2040 freight plan that is kind of in the development and adoption process. As many of us know, transportation is a significant amount of the greenhouse gas emissions in our city. Freight plays a role in that. In addition to greenhouse gas emissions, dirty diesel contributes to harmful air pollution that disproportionately affects low income and community of color. The U.S. Department of Transportation has launched its smart grant initiative. And this is focused on kind of purpose-driven innovation to try to solve established community needs. There is an application open for these phase one planning and prototype grants with up to \$2 million. No local match is required. And applications are due on November 18th. And we're working on that diligently right now. If we're successful with that phase one planning and prototype, we would be eligible for pays two implementation grant, up to \$15 million every three years. Our grant is focused on testing strategy to reduce freight emissions by building kind of internal capacity and technology systems to digitize some of our curb rules. Currently the curb is regulated and

managed through physical signage. But more and more technology and logistics companies, they rely on apps and other digital rules. So creating the ability to better communicate with the private sector and better monitor curb use at select sites. We would test out some zero emission loading zones where we would, you know, change our truck loading zones to be eligible for zero emission types of vehicles, whether that's electric box truck or an etrike. And then we would explore reservations. We would be evaluating the outcome of this pilot, recommending new regulations or incentives and then if successful going after competing for one of these phase two grants. So in terms of next steps and questions, again, our grants are due very soon. One grant is due next week, the other is shortly thereafter. We will learn about the status of both of these applications in early '23. And speaking of '23, both the bureau of transportation as well as planning sustainability have two ev projects we plan to bring to the council in 2023. Thank you for the time. Thank your private sector partners and open it up for questions from council as well as our invited testimony.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, any questions at this point? I do have some questions just about the details of this program. But why don't we do invited testimony first and then we'll do some dialogue before the final vote. Keelan, let's go to invited testimony first. Megan, I apologize.

Speaker: We have one individual signed up for public testimony. Joshua.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: kristin, are there other people that were invited?

Speaker: We have invited testimony from Portland general electric, as well as from climate solutions.

Speaker: M. Mapps: megan, let's call the invited testimony first.

Speaker: That sounds good.

Speaker: M. Mapps: okay. Proceed. Do we have them in chambers or online?

Speaker: They're online.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great. Why don't you -- why don't we have staff introduce the invited -- your invited testimony. Who is up first?

Speaker: Thank you, commissioner Mapps. I would like to invite alicia lawrence from Portland general electric up first.

Speaker: Thank you. I'm alicia lawrence, the senior manager of electrification here at Portland general electric. I'm happy to join in on this grant. Pge has had a long relationship with the city of Portland by having assets in the right of way and this is a novel use of using the utility poles to help expand the use of charging infrastructure to be for equitable for individuals who won't have access to a garage or driveway and still deserve to be part of our electric transformation to help meet our community's decarbonization goals. As stated, one of our biggest goals is in making sure that anyone can charge equitably wherever they need to charge. And that it can be at a rate that is equitable. So being able to charge at home is very affordable. We have a tariff in place that makes sure that public charging at pg&e-owned chargers is an equitable rate that someone would charge if they were to charge their vehicle at home. We're committed to providing infrastructure of 40 chargers in our service territory within the city of Portland, a matching grant of over \$600,000 in infrastructure along with additional money in labor to support the work over the next three years as well. That is the role of Portland general electric and we're happy to be able to be partners and to be able to move this grant forward.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great. Thank you, ms. Lawrence. Any questions for ms. Lawrence, colleagues? Commissioner Ryan, I see an inquisitive look on your face.

Speaker: D. Ryan: thank you for being here. My question is you spoke about equitable payments. So could you break that down, give us a concrete dollar figure

on what it's like for a resident and then what that fair and equitable place would be for someone who uses one of these expanding infrastructure amenities that we will be producing?

Speaker: Yeah. I'd be more than happy to. There's a residential rate schedule, schedule 7, what it is, and that's about a 12-cent per kilowatt per hour rate at a residential home. When we looked at that, we looked at the type of charging that we're doing here and we charge \$3 for -- I believe it's a four-hour time frame at a level two charger which is equitable. As we went through the different tariff rulings being able to show the map, it's equitable to around the 12-cent per kilowatt per hour rate that is a residential customer charge and that is equitable to the kilowatt hours used during that time frame.

Speaker: D. Ryan: thank you. I don't think about kilowatt hours very often.
Thanks.

Speaker: M. Mapps: why don't we continue with invited testimony. Who is up next?

Speaker: Thanks you, commissioner Mapps. I would like to invite Jeanette Shaw.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome, Ms. Shaw.

Speaker: Thank you very much. Good morning, council president, commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today. My name is Jeanette Shaw, I'm director of policy and a lobbyist at Forth. I'm here to support the item of 911, Pbot's park and charge proposal to the United States Department of Energy Vehicle Technology Office. Our company was founded in 2011 founded here in Oregon. Our mission is to create solutions that reduce pollution as well as barrier to access. We do that through a number of different programs and policies that increase access to charging, access to cars, as well as e-bikes, electric school buses and electric tractors. We believe bringing new transportation technologies to

traditionally underserved communities is critical to the success of the overall industry and will also maximize the economic and environmental benefits of these technologies. In 2017 forth worked with the Oregon legislature to pass the Oregon clean vehicle rebate program. This establishes standard electric vehicle rebate for low to moderate income Oregonians. By 2015 more than 100ev models are going to be available and this is according to the environmental defense fund. This wide range of new models along with the tracks credits that ingrid mentioned and rebates program will make evs much more affordable in the immediate years to come. But without convenient and affordable charging options nearby, many of our communities will still face barrier to access. Most folks who live in cities do not have access to a garage or even a driveway. And the cost to install a private ev charger can cost upwards of thousands of dollars. Public infrastructure is going to be essential to increase access to electric vehicles and a recent survey found that over 87 billion in charging infrastructure investment will be needed in the united states really over the next decade. And in 2035, the report, researchers from the school of public policy at the university of california berkeley estimate that up to 25% of ev drivers will be relying completely on public charging. Without the public and private charging infrastructure investment historically underserved communities may be excluded in the ev adoption process. Affordable, convenient and accessible curb side charging is a way to make the shift to evs much more equitable and for that reason we strongly support the park and charge proposal to the department of emergency's vehicle technology office. We look forward to working alongside the city to convene and lead workshops with community-based organizations for public engagement to support education and outreach of infrastructure and to communicate equitable information that comes from this project with planners nationwide. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you, ms. Shaw. I believe there's one more person for invited testimony.

Speaker: That is correct. I would like to invite up victoria.

Speaker: M. Mapps: welcome.

Speaker: Good morning. For the record my name is victoria and I'm the Oregon transportation manager at climate solutions and we're a regional nonprofit working on clean energy solution to the climate crisis. And I'm here today to voice our support in the right of way project and an opportunity to take advantage of these federal grants. Two years ago climate solutions published a report that in order to meet our climate goals, we must electrify our transportation system without delay in order to achieve the biggest social and climate benefits, health and air quality improvements as well as reduced transportation. Specifically the research showed that we cannot succeed without electrifying about 97% of all vehicles and all vehicle types by 2050 as well as a 27% on average vehicle miles traveled reduction. For cities like Portland, we projected a 47% reduction in vehicle miles traveled. This means we have a lot of work to do and these grants will certainly help. The level two charge in the right of way has been proven successful by the pilot program that pg&e started a couple of years ago and that was shared and now we have the opportunity to expand the service while also leading with an equity-centered approach by targeting benefit to communities most underserved by public charging infrastructure as well as multimodal transportation options and working with community member to figure out what transportation options are most needed and ensure their solutions are leading investment plans, decisions and implementation as well. As ingrid shared, public charging infrastructure remains one of the biggest barriers for people who do not have access to at-home charging and installing full chargers in the right of way is an effective way for the city to

ensure we're doing more to provide access to people who want to switch to an electric vehicle. The gas prices this year made it difficult for lower-income community members who are dependent on their cars because of lack of transit options to access work and school as well as access to necessary services, food, medical services and more. And so this is another opportunity for pbot to continue working to achieve affordable charging infrastructure relative to at-home charging. Supporting transportation means supporting access. And this is access to all essential -- and that's access to all essential services that allows to thrive. The best path forward is making transportation people-centered, providing equitable investments to underinvested in communities, prioritizing access to multimodal transportation options that are affordable, safe and efficient as well as electrifying the rest. While it's a lot, this means that every opportunity that helps to achieve both the electrification of vehicles and reducing vehicle miles traveled through interventions like public access to charging to vision zero and people-centered cities should be supported. Thank you for the work that you've done for the transportation future and let's keep going further. Thanks.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you, victoria. I believe that concludes invited testimony. Is that correct, staff?

Speaker: J. Hardesty: that is correct. President Mapps, I just cannot leave this spot without thanking or invited guests for being here and partnering with us. Ms. Pcard, ms. Lawrence, ms. Shaw, thank you, thank you, thank you. And I want to say ingrid and kristin, there's a theme here that I just want to take a moment to appreciate. And jacob, no disrespect to you, but the women are getting it done in transportation and are visionary and are pushing the envelope. And I just did not want to miss the opportunity to look at all of these incredibly accomplished transportation experts who understand why these investments at this time are so

critical. And Jacob, it's always great to know that we've got good men who are always doing great work in transportation. But in this region, there are a lot of women that are pushing and leading this effort. And because of that I just wanted to take a moment and just really appreciate what a beautiful picture. If I was her, I would be taking a picture with all of you. Thank you for your partnership. Thank you for the investment. And thank you for the commitment to making sure that we all benefit as we move into this climate resilient future. Thank you.

Speaker: M. Mapps: great.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: back to you, Mr. President.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you, Commissioner Hardesty. Megan, do we have any public testimony on this?

Speaker: One person signed up.

Speaker: M. Mapps: let's proceed to public testimony.

Speaker: Joshua magnanimously.

Speaker: Hi, my name is Joshua magnanimously. I am going to actually -- there's a lot I want to touch base on. The first is the concrete guy. I work for the union, not this union here but the pay scale is clearly off the way that you all would produce --

Speaker: M. Mapps: I hate to interrupt you here but we try to limit public testimony to the item being discussed today. So if you have any thoughts on item 911 or I will ask you to limit your comments to item 911. And if you don't have any comments on 911, you're more than welcome to submit your written testimony to us and we'll take a look at it when we get out of this session.

Speaker: 911 is the guarantee on the money, correct?

Speaker: M. Mapps: that is the testimony that we've been listening to for about the last half-hour about the pbot grant to install public charging stations.

Speaker: And that's also covered to the rights and guarantees as well as the

contract that was found in there, correct?

Speaker: M. Mapps: I will refer to the clerk. We're talking about the pbot item.

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: M. Mapps: so if you have something to say about the pbot item which does two things, it allows us to apply for grants that would both facilitate the creation of charging stations for innovative cars and clean freight. That's what we're trying to educate ourselves around today.

Speaker: This is just the contract and how I find the intellectual grab [inaudible] underneath in this agreement allows the intellectual property in itself to be absorbed by the city, the state, as well as the country. And it will deprive the individual of royalties over rights and over what matters to them, the intellectual property. What they create, what they make and what they contribute. So having this type of an agreement, this type of an amendment, the exhibit a, it's under the guaranteed right, thirty-party rights. So by accepting these grants any intellectual property that the city absolutely absorbs. And the [inaudible] titles and the guarantee I just find the irreversible something to be cautious over, especially when people create and have intellectual property as our society progresses, I think our morals digress. And unfortunately if we keep on giving away our personal rights, our availability for royalties and for residuals and for long-term base economical growth even for ourselves, we'll end up depriving people more than they have. I disagree with that type of framing in any agreement whatsoever, because who wants to -- it's almost on the verge of a dictatorship when you would say I would be having this right no matter what, I can duplicate it, I can do anything I want to with it because it's mine. And part of this agreement absolutely allows that type of a sanctioning to take place. So I would be interested in seeing a different type of a framing that doesn't allow the government to have such of an overreach on

personal people, their intellectual property, their rights and their liberties.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you for those comments. Megan, do we have any other public testimony?

Speaker: That concludes public testimony.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, before we vote on this, do you have any questions or observations you would like to share? No? Actually I have one question for staff. And this is a friendly, friendly question. Well actually, commissioner Ryan has his hand up. You want to go?

Speaker: D. Ryan: yeah. Actually while you're here, I was thinking about it was about a year ago maybe there was a station that we were putting in out at mount taper, I believe, and I wanted to hear an update on how that's going.

Speaker: Thank you, commissioner Ryan. That's some work that city fleet has been taking the lead on in terms of installing some chargers to benefit kind of the city's public fleet. I believe those chargers are not accessible to the public and they're just restricted to our vehicles. I think we would probably have to follow up with city fleet to give you an accurate update on where things are but they're making process.

Speaker: D. Ryan: so the mount taper is for city fleet only, not the public?

Speaker: Correct.

Speaker: D. Ryan: it's nice to have this transparent dialogue so we can track what's for the city fleet and what's for the public. Thanks.

Speaker: M. Mapps: I have a question. Jason, i'll keep you on deck and you can decide how to redistribute the question if you're not the expert on this. Thanks to commissioner hardesty and thanks to staff and our partners in the private sector for bringing forward this really innovative package of reforms and innovations which will lead us towards or green economy. This stuff is so new. Frankly a lot of it is new

to me and I'm trying to figure out how this works. Let me say up front, the clean freight stuff is so new that I kind of learned about it for the first time today. If we get this grant I definitely would appreciate a deeper briefing on what's happening in this space. And then just to do a little bit of public education, let's focus on the first part of the grant, though. Public charging stations. Using the public right of way for charging stations for electric vehicles. We see these pop up around the neighborhoods. I haven't thought deeply about the macro mechanics of this work. And I heard today the city won't actually be operating the charging stations. We'll have a private sector, nonprofit partners there. And I think this makes me realize I don't think I understand the business model here. You know, in some ways I think of these spaces as being the next generation of gas stations and what not. I suspect that's probably not the right metaphor. But what is the business model for who runs these? Who ultimately pays for the electricity. From pbot, is this kind of like a parking space or is different thing happening here. We have rules for how long you can stay in a parking space but I assume we don't want people randomly using charging stations. This is quite new and I literally don't have much intuition on what the rules on. Kristin has taken herself off mute. You want the start us off.

Speaker: Jason is the right person to answer the detailed questions. But we'll be coming to council in early 2023 with a full package of code amendments that will detail the right-of-way charging program that our team is working very hard too develop. I'll let Jacob give you the details but we'll dig into the details of how right-of-way charging works in the winter.

Speaker: M. Mapps: you don't have to be super in-depth but I think myself and I'm sure members of the public would love to learn more about how this space works.

Speaker: Thanks for the question. It's just over 160 public chargers located within

the city of Portland. I think as you heard from some of the testimony, we expect that need to grow substantially over the next two years. How we're thinking about structuring the program is essentially -- and through this grant as well as problem in the future is thinking about opportunities to mount electric vehicle chargers onto existing utility poles, sign and stripe those, create parking regulations around that and then in terms of the business model, at the end of the day the consumer is the person paying for the electricity as they're kind of fueling their vehicle mostly in that location where, you know, they don't have on-site access to chargers. We're looking at trying to provide the more affordable option and particularly provide those options in parts of the city that the market is not serving today. That's maybe a very high-level overview. And I think before we come to council early next year we'd be happy to provide you a deeper briefing on some of these topics.

Speaker: M. Mapps: I will take more time unpacking. I have plenty of questions, they're all friendly questions. I'm excited about the direction we're heading in with this ordinance. Colleagues, are there any additional questions before we call the roll? No? Okay. Megan, this is an emergency ordinance. Please call the roll.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: C. Rubio: I want to thank commissioner hardesty for bringing this forward, her leadership here, as well as kristin and jacob and ingrid for all of your work on this applications and also to the invited testimony for their important words today. This is a really great opportunity for Portland and it really helps significantly move us forward to meet our climate goals. Electrification is such a foundation tall strategy and transition. I want to lift up and appreciate how it's designed to not leave -- this proposal is designed to not leave anyone behind by ensuring equitable access to all parts of our city. Very excited and looking forward to seeing the results of the work. I vote aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: I would like to add, I want to thank commissioner Hardesty for bringing this forward. I want to, although a bit jarring, the amendments, it was great that you had invited testimony that affirmed the right and left hand are communicating with each other and we're all on the same page to actually build this much needed infrastructure. I look forward to the dialogue we have -- I'm being an optimist right now that you'll get the award. Thank you. Who is doing the grant writing again? Those are the hardest jobs. Kristin you were kind enough to acknowledge some of your colleagues doing the federal grant writing. I want to acknowledge them as well. Those are brutal assignments. Let's hope we can leverage the investments and then hear about the planning. Because we're building and building is exciting and it's never perfect but we have to keep asking the kind of questions that commissioner Mapps just put on the dais as we figure out how to do this right. I'm all in and let's hope we're here in early 2023 celebrating that we have these investments and then we can imagine and get creative about what good planning looks like so it's equitable. I vote aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: I want to thank Kristin, Jacob and Ingrid for an incredible job and Chris Warner for his leadership at PBOT which is absolutely stellar. I am very grateful to our community partners who put their money where their mouth is because, you know, we hear about partnerships all of the time that don't come with dollars attached to them. So I am very grateful that we're all in this together. And I have every confidence that we will be awarded these grants and we will continue to think big about how we build the climate-resilient future that we all say we want. And I have to say I am always impressed with the quality of the work that PBOT does, but this is going to put us, once again, in a national leadership role of how we

make investments and who do we make those investments for. I'm happy to vote aye and look guard to the results.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: I want to thank commissioner Hardesty and pbot for bringing this item forward. I also appreciate both the staff testimony that we received today and the invited testimony and the public testimony that we heard. I find this grant proposal to be innovative and exciting. I hope that we get it and I look forward to learning more about this space. I vote aye. 911 passes. Colleagues, we will continue with our time certain items. Megan, will you please read item 912.

Speaker: Amend the comprehensive plan map and zoning map for property at 4928 northeast 11th avenue at the request of Allison Reynolds, Stoel Hives.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, I believe the findings for this ordinance have been updated to reflect the testimony we heard and the discussion we had when this item came before us on Thursday, October 6th. Commissioner Ryan, do you have anything else that you want to add to the record before we do a vote here.

Speaker: D. Ryan: no. Second reading.

Speaker: M. Mapps: hearing no further questions and no desire for further dialogue, please call the roll.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: C. Rubio: aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: aye.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: aye. 912 passes. Let's go to the consent agenda. Have any

items been pulled off of the consent agenda.

Speaker: Item 914.

Speaker: M. Mapps: thank you very much. 914 has been pulled off of the consent agenda. Can we call the roll on the rest of the -- on the rest of the consent.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: C. Rubio: aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: aye.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: aye. And at the end of this meeting we'll come back and address 914. We're now on the regular agenda. 924.

Speaker: Authorize intergovernmental agreement with Portland state university to design and execute a summit in early 2023 on equitable civic engagement and co-governance for an amount not to exceed \$108,850.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, this is a second reading. Is there any further discussion on this item? Seeing none, megan, please call the roll.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: C. Rubio: aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: yeah, I want to acknowledge the great meeting I had this week with director latoya. Thank you so much for taking the time. It was helpful for me to get level set on what this actually is and I think what I appreciate about the dialogue is how relationships move at the speed of trust. And I know the more that we allow our neighborhood associations to engage with these steps, I know this is a planning

for a planning for a planning. So I was educated on the process that we're in. I think getting the website updated with the neighborhood profiles, that was very important. Those are up today. I'm looking nonverbally. Those are up today on the website for civic life. I encourage all neighborhood association members to click on their neighborhood and see the good work that's foundational and very helpful, not just to the neighborhoods that have this information but for the entire city to have a database that gets to some of the very important demographic information that we need throughout the city. I was very pleased to see that development. I look forward to hearing how each neighborhood association is engaged in this process as we move forward and I vote aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: I want to thank the director for his thoughtfulness in moving this proposal forward. To the comments of commissioner Ryan, he may be unaware that every neighborhood association was reached out to three times in preparation for this, this agreement. So there's been already a great deal of outreach and we'll continue to do that because guess what, that's what civic life's job is, to actually engage with the neighborhoods and others to ensure that community voices are incorporated into city policy decision-making. And so I vote aye but I wanted to make sure that was clarified.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: yeah, I want to thank commissioner hardesty and civic life for agreeing to move this item and the next item we're going to hear on to regular agenda. I think that provided council and the people of Portland to take an opportunity to learn more about what civic life is trying to do here. I support the direction you're going in. And for these reasons or more I vote aye. 924 passes. Colleagues, we will continue with the regular agenda. Megan, please read 925.

Speaker: Authorize intergovernmental agreement with Portland state university to expand and improve the neighborhood profiles project for an amount not to exceed \$61,250.

Speaker: M. Mapps: this is the second reading. Colleagues, any further discussion on this item? Hearing none, megan, please call the roll.

Speaker: Rubio.

Speaker: C. Rubio: aye.

Speaker: Ryan.

Speaker: D. Ryan: aye.

Speaker: Hardesty.

Speaker: J. Hardesty: aye.

Speaker: Mapps.

Speaker: M. Mapps: I'm going to vote aye on this. I'm glad to see the data portion of this project move forward. I think this is very valuable. I'm the kind of public employee who actually goes through these pages fairly frequently. If I had any feedback, I've looked at the data that you plan to partner with psu to get. I would also point out, especially since I've been on council, we've been trying to push [inaudible] dash boards which contain kind of real-time information. And I hope that we can explore importing some of that real-time dashboard information into the neighborhood profiles. I think that would make this important project even that more valuable. For these reasons or more I vote aye. 925 passes.

Speaker: Item 914, authorize the director of the community safety division to execute grant agreements for gun violence reduction programs.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, I believe this has been pulled back to the mayor's office. Is that correct?

Speaker: Yes, the item has been referred back to the mayor's office.

Speaker: M. Mapps: we will be hearing that item in the future and with that I believe that completes our business for this morning. Megan, is that correct?

Speaker: That's correct.

Speaker: M. Mapps: colleagues, we will adjourned. Thank you so much.

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Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: -- to take a moment to remember joyce nelson, a community member that passed away on November 4th of 2021. It feels appropriate to make space to acknowledge her here as well. Joyce was a native elder, a service-focused leader and a devoted family member and friend along with her husband, buzz, joyce launched several community based organizations that still operate today including Portland American indian center, the native American youth association, concerned indian community, Portland American indian elders, and native American rehabilitation association. In 2006, joyce received the spirit of Portland award for her advocacy and collaboration within the native community. She fought diligently for housing, jobs, addiction treatment, and education for urban native Americans. She was a highly engaged community member working for and later serving on the board of the native American rehabilitation association as well as the Portland youth and elders committee and was instrumental in the founding of naiha high school. Joyce's dedication and hard work will not be forgotten. Our community is forever grateful for the lasting positive impacts joyce brought to the community. Thank you, joyce. And we wish her family and her friends all of the best. Good afternoon everyone. This is the Wednesday November 2nd, 2022, afternoon session of the the Portland City Council. Please call the roll.

Speaker: Clerk: good afternoon. [roll call].

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: we'll now hear from legal council and the rules of order and decorum.

Speaker: Good afternoon. Welcome to the Portland City Council. The City Council's holding public hybrid meeting. If you wish to testify before City Council in person or virtually, you must sign up in advance by visiting the council agenda on the clerk's web page at www.Portland.gov/council/agenda. You may sign up to speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony. Written testimony must be submitted at cc@PortlandOregon.gov. Your testimony must be addressed at the time. When addressed, please state your name. Your address is not necessary. For testifiers joining virtually, please unmute yourself once the council calls your name. The presiding officer reserves order and decorum. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. Disruptive conduct such as shouting, refusing to conclude your testimony when your time is up or interrupting others' testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions a warning may be given and the person may be ejected from the meeting. If the person refuses to leave the meeting the council may take a short recess and reconvene virtually.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Colleagues, we have one item for this afternoon. It is the first reading of a nonemergency ordinance.

Speaker: Clerk: adopt Portland historic district guidelines as historic resource review approval criteria and repeal the lair hill historic conservation district design guidelines.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: today's date is November 2nd, 2022, the subject of today's hearing is the south Portland historic district design guidelines. There will not be a vote on this today. We'll have a staff presentation and an opportunity for council to ask questions. Then, we'll hear from an invited speaker and from

members of the public who've registered to testify. At the end of today's meeting the record will close. I'll provide more detail about next steps at the conclusion of testimony. Before we begin the presentations, I'd like to declare that I do not own or rent property within the south Portland historic district boundary and would like to provide an opportunity for my fellow commissioners to disclose any conflicts of interest. Colleagues, any conflicts?

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you, mayor. I do not own or rent any property under consideration today.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, commissioner Hardesty. And commissioner Mapps.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: I have no conflicts of interest here.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. And commissioner Rubio.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: I too have no conflicts.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: and commissioner Ryan.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: no conflicts to declare.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: so I invite commissioner Rubio to give opening remarks and introduce our presenters. Commissioner Rubio.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: thank you, mayor. I'm proud to introduce the south Portland historic district design guidelines today. Council had an opportunity to learn a lot about our historic preservation land use regulations earlier this year through the historic resources code project. Those code amendments went into effect March 1st and have already begun to show results. The historic design guidelines before us today built on the historic resources code project by providing flexible land use of approval criteria for one of our existing historic districts south Portland. I'd like to thank staff from the bureau of planning and sustainability for working with community members to prepare these new guidelines. I'd also like to

that the historic landmarks commission for holding a hearing and recommending City Council adopt these guidelines. Finally, I want to thank those who've served on the community advisory group for this project. So i'll now turn it over to the bureau of planning and sustainability to present the proposal.

Speaker: Good afternoon. Thank you so much mayor and commissioners. Bureau of planning and sustainability. Bps's historic resources team was last at City Council in January for the adoption of the historic resources code as you heard and those code amendments became effective March 1st. The proposal before you today builds on those code changes by providing additional clarity and flexibility in one of our existing historic districts, south Portland. This project came about after numerous requests from the south Portland neighborhood association and the historic landmark's commission to update the specific guidelines that apply to the south Portland historic district. Because design guidelines are an implementing tool of the zoning code, we worked closely with the community advisory group and the bureau of development services to arrive at the proposal before you today. So I will now turn it over to our historic resources program manager brandon spencer hardle to summarize the proposal.

Speaker: Good afternoon mayor. Commissioners. The bureau planning sustainability. I'm here to provide a short presentation on the historic district guidelines and to get things started and i'll talk more in a moment. The south Portland historic district is nestled between ohsu and the willamette river containing about 250 properties. I do want to also thank our community advisory group. A member of whom you'll hear from today who has worked tirelessly the last couple of years. The proposal does two things. First, it appealing the 1980 district design guidelines which are the oldest set of district criteria in the city and replaces them with the new south Portland historic guidelines that represent

today's best practices for design review approval criteria in the city, as well as expect designers of new buildings to integrate cultural history into their thinking around development. To develop the proposal before you today, staff worked closely with a nine-member community advisory group. That group is comprised of area residents, two technical professionals, one at Walsh Construction and one as a sole practitioner architect and two students. A Portland State University student and a University of Oregon graduate student. That member advised staff and the development of a proposed draft of these design guidelines which was released in June for consideration by the Historic Landmarks Commission. Unlike most land use planning proposals that come forth, in the unique case of historic district design guidelines, it is the Historic Landmarks Commission that makes a recommendation to City Council, not the Planning and Sustainability Commission. The Historic Landmarks Commission held a hearing in July where they heard three members of the public about the proposed guidelines. The Landmarks Division made a couple of small technical amendments and on August 8th, 2022, the Landmarks Commission voted to make their formal recommendation to Council to adopt the new design guidelines and so the proposal before you is the Landmarks Commission's proposal.

A little bit about the South Portland Historic District. Some of you may be unfamiliar with the historic district that's down here. People who live in South Portland and around the historic district, work in the historic district know a lot about it. But it's one of our smallest historic districts. In 1977, City Council designated this area as a conservation district. It was the city's first conservation district and the first designated historic area outside of the downtown core. In 1998, that conservation district status was elevated to a more regulated historic district regulation. That 1998 designation not only described the architectural history of the area, primarily Queen Anne and early commercial buildings, but especially the social and cultural

history of south Portland which was once a home for eastern europeans in the late 1800s and the late 1900s. It describes the multi-ethnic and the interaffectional history of this area during the late 1800s and early 1900s. And by describing some of the enclaves of individual communities who lived in this neighborhood through the middle of the 1900s. South Portland as many of us know is highly impacted by urban renewal. So the 1920 to 1970 period saw a significant amount of demolition in and around the historic district. It was the most in tact remaining part of what was once a much larger neighborhood. Of a little bit of background on design guidelines. In historic districts, some development proposals are subject to a land historic review. It's effectively a design review for our historic places. When the City Council adopted the project earlier this year, along with it came a long list of exemptions from that historic resource review. So, today, many minor exterior alterations and routine repairs and maintenance to properties are not subject to that review. These would be things like adding solar panels, small adu's, replacing windows, paint. And so there's a long list no longer subject to that review. However, design guidelines are the specific land use approval criteria that must be met to gain approval in resource review. That guideline gives designers alters and new construction flexibility and a variety of purchases how to get to yes in the approval process. Applicants and the development bureau of staff are the typical users of design guidelines. So why are we before you today with an update to the south Portland historic district design guidelines? In large part, it's because the existing 1980 guidelines no longer meet our best practices. They'd like to address the social and cultural history of the area. They don't represent modern best practices giving applicants flexibility. They've resulted in numerous implementation challenges for both the bureau development services and historic landmarks commission. And importantly, the existing design guidelines restrict development for plexes, mixed

uses, and institutional buildings. The new design guidelines include a lengthy background section unlike those 1980 design guidelines provide tech cur. Provide twelve different design guidelines that address items related to parking and loading, to materials on the exterior buildings. Unlike some of our other historic district guidelines, these guidelines are style neutral intended to allow designers a higher degree of flexibility encouraging a range of new building types and alterations and additions. Importantly, these new guidelines address topics such as the public realm, tall new buildings while de-emphasizing what's not visible in the adjacent sidewalk. Today's hearing, you'll hear testimony on the proposal which is two parts. Repealing the guidelines and adopting new Portland historic guidelines. What's not been proposed is any expansion of the existing or changes to the types of development activities in this historic district. We are specifically looking at the approval criteria for development already subject. With that, that concludes my staff presentation. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: very good. Thank you. I appreciate how much work has gone into this proposal for the council's consideration. I also just want to acknowledge the hard work of the volunteers on the advisory committee. I know they've worked really hard on this as well. At this point, I'll take questions from my colleagues. Commissioner Hardesty had her hand up first. Commissioner Hardesty.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you, mayor. And thank you both for that very informative presentation. And I think you ended with that this will provide us an update so that we will be modelling best practices when it comes to historic districts we may have learned something over the years. And you talked about the cultural history from the past. So what are we deserving and how does -- and the short question is how do we develop in a housing emergency crisis when there's

specific design criteria and various portions of the city of Portland? We need housing. How do we get it with this designation?

Speaker: Thank you, commissioner. So one of the things that certainly recognizing that we need house engine the city and we want to make sure we creatal opportunities possible for that housing, this project' reconciles a discrepancy between height limitations in the guidelines and in the code. With this with the passage of these updated guidelines, it allows for the height allowed by the code to be achieved. It takes away that discrepancy and shows pathways or examples by which development can happen but still is keeping with the character. So not limiting the height or reducing the amount of units, for example, you can have in a building, but showing how you can accomplish the heights allowed by the zoning and still be compatible with the existing district and surrounding character. So that's one aspect of it and i'll ask brandon to speak a little bit to the cultural preservation.

Speaker: Yeah. It's a great question, commissioner. And to put a fine point on it, what we heard loud and clear from our community advisory group is this part of Portland was bustling. Multiple languages you would hear on the sidewalk. There was activity. But what this neighborhood was not, it was never the most expensive neighborhood in town. This was a neighborhood of working class people who workeded largely on the river. Made their lives. Made their Portland experience possible and what we don't see in the neighborhood today is that mix of uses, that density of residential housing types as opportunities for small family owned or community owned businesses and so what we waned to do was allow those buildings and provide that and provide new mixed use institutional and allow that to come back to the neighborhood. In the case of large buildings too and we heard this from our community advisory group, we wanted to provide extra to do

something beyond the design of the building to tell that neighborhood story and that's a little different for our historic district guidelines. In the past, we were really just focused on design. We want to go a little further to give flexibility when there's community garden space. When the program is affordable housing. When we have opportunities for daylighting a creek, giving more flexibility, we might in a typical historic district to allow for not just architectural preservation, but can we get some of that back in the neighborhood. And we know that means more house, more opportunities, and greater opportunities for affordable housing today. We heard that pretty clear. We're stuck in the world of land use but we want today provide that flexibility and if it works, hope to replicate that and not looking at accommodating the preservation or in this case the restoration of history that was lost from displacement.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: and, are there any cultural sites that represented the community that used to be there that have been preserved and will continue to serve us?

Speaker: That's a great question, commissioner. The neighborhood house is the first one that comes to my mind. The last photo in our slide show was the ground breaking of that in 2010 which was a significant Jewish history in our city. It's a landmark in its own right. It's the last best example of institution in that neighborhood. That building has been used as a school for many years, it's still in community use. Providing that memory and way finding as a building is important, but I think we heard loud and clear from the community that it's not just about the physical landmarks, the monuments, but there is a need for more housing here and a desire for more housing and certainly an interest in allowing this neighborhood to become more than what it once was.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Commissioner Mapps.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: first, I want to thank staff for this presentation and the larger work for Portlanders who haven't been in this neighborhood. It's a charming hidden gem. Kind of building a little bit on commissioner Hardesty's last question, I was wondering if staff could just tell us a little bit about the architecture that we find in this neighborhood and how this architecture helps tell the story of Portland.

Speaker: Good question, commissioner. I think I'll take that one. This neighborhood historically I think many people think of it as a Queen Anne old Victoria neighborhood. There are a handful of those early streetcar mixed use buildings. But in this project, the city staff, our community advisory group, development services started to look at what was once there architecturally with multi-story single-occupancy housing units with a variety of building types. Something that became pretty clear to us and the staff well there are some interesting architectural styles, what this neighborhood really does is it shows the full spectrum of building types. Houses, plexes, mixed use buildings, institutional buildings. So moving away with these guidelines from an architectural style approach which historically how we managed our districts and moving to a place where we recognize where this was once home to duplexes and fourplexes, and eightplexes and how can a designer introduce that with some stylistic freedom, but also ensuring that those building types do sort of work harmoniously build on the story. So what that looks like is largely buildings that have sort of a simple exterior presentation, not asking for all the architectural bells and whistles. Giving that flexibility, recognizing that these were homes and apartments rented by working class people, I'm not expecting new development to adhere to a standard that

would have been appropriate today. So the guidelines do detail those four building types and the variety of architectural approaches one can take.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: great. Thank you very much. I have no further questions.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: very good. Thank you. So we'll move on to hearing testimony on the proposal. First, we have some invited testifiers is my understanding and then we'll open it up to those who've registered to provide verbal testimony on this item. I'd like to invite kristin miner who's chair of 0 the city's historic landmarks commission to share their testimony. Kristin, welcome.

Speaker: Okay. Good afternoon mayor Wheeler and City Councillors. It's great to see city hall again actually. I wish I was there, but thank you for offering a good model for a hybrid system. It's great. We're moving into that. I'm kristin miner. I'm chair of the Portland historic landmarks commission and I'm here today to provide you with our recommendation on the adoption of these new updated design guidelines for the south Portland historic district. Our commission isn't typically the recommending body for legislative projects, but adoption of design guidelines for existing historic districts is certainly one of those situations. So I'd like to speak very broadly for just a minute about guidelines and then more specifically about these new set of guidelines for south Portland historic district. Guidelines really make most important facts and characteristics of a place accessible to all. Instead of saying to a contractor or a property owner or developer, you know, go study the neighborhood, read up on its history and then come back with something that fits, guidelines are really like the cliff notes almost for all of that. So they give people including city staff who are trying to provide regulation on this a much easier way to focus on the critical design considerations for that area. So I encourage you all to consider funding new historic design guidelines in other areas of Portland that

don't necessarily have them. And especially in conservation districts because it's really what I see as part of good governance, in other words, of helping people navigate the system. So moving on to the new set of south Portland historic district design guidelines, I just want to highlight a few things about these guidelines. One of them is really to just give thanks to the bureau of planning and sustainability for taking on the project. As Brandon mentioned, it's been a confusing area. There's overlapping conservation district and design or historic district and then as Brandon mentioned, the guidelines themselves are so old written in 1980 and the area has changed quite a bit. Let's see. Number two, I'd like to give appreciation to the community engagement process for these guidelines. And the consultants and the city really did a fine job with outreach. And then finally, number three, these guidelines provide as much background as they could really fit into this project. As much as could be researched about the people that lived in these neighborhoods. So a real mix of cultures and identities that were left out of the previous guidelines and knowing that history is now much easier just because people can look at these design guidelines and they don't have to go to the library or Oregon Historical Society to learn about it. The Landmarks Commission asked for a very few amendments. Minor things such as the addition of a map and a few changes to language and images. We did hear some testimony requesting a more definitive line on height and we had good discussion about it. Ultimately, the guideline text that the Landmarks Commission supported relies on a general perception of height rather than putting a number in the guidelines. We believe this creates a lot more flexibility for everyone using the guidelines. And it is more form-based. So, with that, I open it to any questions. We are asking for you to adopt the south Portland design guidelines. Thanks.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. We appreciate that, madam chair. And is there additional invited testimony on this item, commissioner Rubio?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: I will turn that over to brandon to assess that.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: shaking his head no. The answer's no. Okay. Great. With that, we will move to public testimony. These individuals have signed up to speak for three minutes each. And our council clerk will call you in order.

Speaker: Clerk: thank you, mayor. First up, we have fred lason.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: welcome, fred.

Speaker: Caller: hi. Today I'm speaking on behalf of the board of directors of the architectural heritage center. I strongly encourage your approval of these guidelines. We believe that they allow flexibility to retain the historic character of the neighborhood while still allowing opportunities for development and growth. We agree with kristin miner that we would encourage the city to pursue guidelines in historic districts that do not already have them because they are helpful both the property owners and to developers. In south Portland, I think the development pressure and given the street patterns and the zoning is all going to be for taller buildings in the district. In our written testimony to the City Council, we have added a few more items that we think the staff might want to consider when they're looking at taller buildings and not necessarily to include them in your discussion today, but we would encourage the staff to look at them to see if they are helpful as projects come in down the road. That's the end of my testimony. I appreciate your consideration and hope you will approve. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have joshua magnanamosily. Doesn't look like they're here. Next up we have valaria tapia.

Speaker: Caller: hello.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: hi welcome.

Speaker: Caller: can you guys hear me? Hi. Yeah. Thank you so much council for being here today. My name is valeria tapia. I'm a second year student in the Portland master regional studies program. I was also a member on the community advisory board for the south Portland historic district guidelines from 2019 to 2021. So even during the pandemic, our group was really focused on the development of this draft document. Today, I'm asking you to support the south Portland historic district guidelines document. The draft document I see in front of me today reflects years of hard work from our community advisory board and that of the consultants and city staff. I truly support the draft document as mentioned. South Portland is a special place that was once an immigrant community. A group consistently throughout the process highlighted the dark past of the neighborhood and the displacement redevelopment and urban renewal and the building freeway era that suburbed the community and displaced so many of the people that once inhabited the neighborhood. The area really speaks to me as the daughter of immigrants and someone who grew up close to the neighborhood. And, as we process through identifying the building typologies district patterns and what made the public realm in the neighborhood special as well as how alterations and new developments would kind of fit into the neighborhood. Not only did we consider the past cultural make-up of the neighborhood, but also the present and the future. And our formulated guidelines reflect a means to embrace the history and the people of the neighborhood by celebrating the character of building types while being considerate of buildings and materials that could be financially out of reach for many individuals and incur costs to renters and owners, and we recognize that we are amidst a housing crisis. Hence the guideline support to contributing resources and noncontributing resources by inviting new development in the neighborhood

that's sustainable and enhances the human experience, bringing in mixed income and individuals multi-generational families and diverse people in the neighborhood. Of these guidelines should be implemented. They respect and embrace the roots of the neighborhood in the community and the vision for the future. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Commissioner Rubio.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: thank you, mayor. I just wanted to take a second and especially thank valeria for her volunteer role on the community advisory group. She's a psu student and a mother and val made time over the last three years to participate in nearly every advisory group meeting connected to this, so I feel like that bears some acknowledgement and appreciation by this council. And, also, as you've heard, her perspectives on community and affordability and her own experiences around experience have directly informed a lot of the design guidelines included in this proposal. I just wanted to say thank you, valeria for all your work and commitment to the advisory group as well.

Speaker: Thank you so much. I really appreciate it. It was a great experience. And, again, I really hope they get adopted. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Thank you commissioner Rubio. Thank you, valeria.

Speaker: Clerk: next up we have maxham mochime. It doesn't look like they've joined us. And finally, jim gardener. Jim, you're muted. Jim, are you able to unmute?

Speaker: Caller: I think I just did.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: yep. We hear you.

Speaker: Caller: okay. Good. Thank you very much mr. Mayor and members of the council. I'd like to testify strongly in support of adoption of these guidelines. I've been involved in this neighborhood for many years. Actually, I've lived here for

about 46 years and off and on, I've been active in the neighborhood association during much of that time. For about the last ten years, I've been the chair of our neighborhood association's land use committee. I've also over the 46 years I've lived here have seen many changes take place in this neighborhood. Most of those have been more evolutionary than sudden. Actually, I believe that's a very appropriate type of change for our national historic district to undergo. As our land use chair and even prior to that, I've been very familiar with the existing guidelines that were adopted in 1980 and I think for the past 40 years or so, they have worked very well. I do believe that these proposed new guidelines will continue to be effective. They could serve to help protect the historic character of the district, but at the same time guide new development that can be appropriate, that can be historically compatible and that continue to help address today's needs that Portland faces. I'd like to especially express my thanks to Brandon Spencer Hardle and the other city staff who've worked so long on these guidelines and as everyone involved with Portland and even the nation over the last three years knows, things did not always go as smoothly or as quickly as they might have done in other times. But the city staff stuck with this and so did the community advisory group which I also would like to thank. I was not technically a member of the group, but I did participate in all the meetings and discussions. I also really want to express some thanks to Rick Michaelson and Karen Carlson who were the primary consultants who helped city resources staff develop these guidelines. Again, in summary, I do think these guidelines are effective. I have some concerns about some of the ways they may allow buildings that would turn out to be not as compatible with the rest of the district as those that have developed in the past, but I also think that there needs to be some additional flexibility in guidelines like this and I support the balancing that was done to balance flexibility versus protection of the historic resources. So I'd be

happy to respond to any questions and, again, I very much support adoption of these guidelines.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Appreciate it. Commissioner Hardesty.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you, mayor. Could we have staff come back up again, please. So I guess I'm just a tad bit confused about how design guidelines work because I think what I'm hearing is that this is a suggestion about how growth would happen in this particular historic district; is that correct?

Speaker: I'd respond and say it's more than a suggestion.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: say more about that, please.

Speaker: In the context of a historic district, the zoning map, the official zoning map says what uses are allowed, what the height limits are. It tells us what the allowed scale and use of development. And in a historic district, the overlay of the historic district protection says there are some additional things that have to be met. One the historic buildings are required to come to council to gain approval. So it's a higher bar for demolition than if you were outside of a historic district. And, two, many alterations, additions, and new construction that are the use is allowed and the height limit, you know, the zoning is required to sculpt or have physical features that meet the design guidelines and so the design guidelines are mandatory approval criteria that say in the case of south Portland, for example, parking and loading need to be minimized to ensure the pedestrian experience is protected. That's a higher bar for parking and loading that might exist on the other side of this from the historic district.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you. That's really very helpful. And so you started talking about the historic diversity that was in this community that has been displaced by gentrification and freeway expansion and all the fun ways we move people of color around in communities. How will this new update either address

the historic wrong or actually make it better for folks who were displaced because of previous city plans and actions and exclusions? How will they benefit from this new designation?

Speaker: Yeah. I think I'll jump with that one too. Of I don't know commissioner as your city staff, I don't know that we can ever fully address the harm that was done in this neighborhood and elsewhere. What we were mindful of these guidelines and the historic resource code project update is that we tried to provide as many opportunities as possible in all of our historic districts, but specifically today in south Portland to enable new housing and new development and specifically affordable housing and affordable housing development. Here we know was a neighborhood that often times was home to people who were coming from overseas or coming elsewhere to this country and this was their first landing spot and so we're doing a couple things. One, allowing new development to fill out that zoning envelope where today's guidelines say no taller than three stories. If we're talking about a regulated affordable housing that triggers inclusionary housing, it will likely need that larger bulk to take advantage of the incentive. And, then, two, with regards to this resource code project, new affordable housing developments go through a streamline staff review effective March 1st from the historic resource project that allows staff to review regulated affordable housing through the lowest 1x staff level review. So when staff do get a proposal for regulated affordable housing, they have flexibility, there's not an artificial limitation on the size of that new building and we give that extra flexibility for bringing back something to the neighborhood that was lost.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: let me stop you. When you say affordable housing, affordable for who?

Speaker: I believe we're talking about housing at the 60% median income family level or below.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: that is good, but is median family income the right appropriate measurement when we say affordable? Shouldn't it be based on what people make for a living as compared to the size of their family? I'm just putting that out there. I don't know if you have an answer to that.

Speaker: I have a different answer, if it's okay commissioner. The answer is we really struggled in this process and we struggled within all of our historic resources about the limited tool box to us in the zoning code. So the zoning code does a good job regulating uses and development, but what we haven't nailed is how do we specifically bring a healing approach to our historic districts with our regulations that would bring back, for example, the specific people who were displaced or the specific types of people. We're working with what we've got with regards to our affordable housing provisions and trying to make sure that our guidelines are in support of those policy objectives, but I'll be the first to admit in this district, we struggled how do we make these design guidelines well knowing who was displaced and who this neighborhood is important to.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: let me just say, thank you for that. That's really helpful for me. Inclusionary zoning is not affordable housing. It's exempt for 15 years which means that at any time the rent can go up, so the tools that we pretend we have that actually would control affordable housing, that is not working as intended. So I am concerned that anything new that goes up, there's no ability to either control the rent for 15 years and there's certainly no ability to make sure that people aren't priced out after 15 years. So I think we are continuing to move bad policy forward and then telling ourselves that we're building housing that people can actually afford to live in. That's why I asked those questions yesterday. And this

is really about a housing -- we had a housing work session yesterday. If we're continuing to use the tools that fail us miserably, then we'll continue to fail miserably.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: I just want to say thank you for that. That was a great presentation. And because I oversee bds, I want to know what your engagement was like with the draft community? Did you have a chance to connect with them on this?

Speaker: Yeah. We did provide notice to the drak and provided a short summary of their October 2021 meeting. Because we weren't creating a new historic district, we weren't adding, we were changing, we didn't have as much. We did have the benefit of a drak member on the landmark commission. And we also have the benefit I think that they're now a former drak member, but michael harrison representing ohsu was also neighborhood association reduced these guidelines in the spring and worked the neighborhood newsletter. It might have been on a larger project, we did have several [indiscernible] with their members.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: I think I heard enough to know you were collaborating. And I appreciate bds. And a lot of my friends in the jewish community, their hearts are connected to that part of town because that's, in fact, where the first jewish people lived in the area. So thank you for making this an important focus.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Appreciate it. I also want to thank everybody for their public testimony. We will close oral testimony at this time. We will also close written testimony. Unless I hear of any interest in potential amendments and I don't see any at this particular moment, we will move this item to second reading. Commissioner Rubio, would you like to make any closing remarks before we wrap things up today?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: yes. Thank you, mayor. I just want to thank brandon and patricia once again for your incredibly thoughtful and hard work on these guidelines. It's very evident in your work and presentation today. It's really heartening to see also how bps team and landmarks commission were able to work together and with the community to get to the finish line in a manner that's in alignment with our housing goals. And I also just want to thank all the folk that is took the time to come out today and took part in the process. We really value your time and it made for a better product. So thanks everyone.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you commissioner Rubio. This item is continued to November 9th at 10:15 a.m. Time certain. Thank you all. That concludes today's hearing. And the meeting is now adjourned.

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Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: wait. Good afternoon everyone. The day's getting away from us already. This is the November 3rd, 2022, Portland City Council afternoon session. Please call the roll.

Speaker: Clerk: [roll call].

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: now we're hear from our city attorney on rules and decorum. Wendy, good afternoon.

Speaker: Good afternoon. Welcome to Portland City Council. City Council is holding hybrid public meetings in person and in attendance. You may visit the council clerk's web page at www.Portland.gov/council/agenda. You may sign up for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions, reports, or first readings of ordinances. Written testimony may be submitted at cctestimony@PortlandOregon.gov. When testifying, please state your name for the record. Your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you are a lobbyist. If you are representing an organization, please identify it. For testifiers joining virtually, please unmute yourself once the council calls your name. So everyone can feel comfortable respected and safe. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. A timer will indicate when your time is done. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting others' testimony or council

deliberations will not be allowed. If there shall be disruptions, a warning may be given and the person may be ejected from the remainder of the meeting. After being ejected, a person is subject to arrest for trespass.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Can you please read items 927, 928, 929, 930, and 931 together, please.

Speaker: Clerk: mayor, may I make a quick announcement, please. There is spanish interpretation provided.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Yes. I was told that and I was supposed to turn it over to veronica. I apologize. Good afternoon. Veronica, thank you.

Speaker: Translator: hi good afternoon. [speaking spanish].

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, veronica. So, colleagues, just by way of the run of show today just so everybody's on the same page, I'm going to give some brief opening remarks.

Speaker: Clerk: whenever you're ready, I can read the titles.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: oh, you never did. Go ahead. Read the titles. [laughter].

Speaker: Clerk: 927, establish key actions to increase affordable housing construction. 928. Assess options to increase coordination and enhance unhoused access to paid non-standard work. 929. Connect mental health and substance abuse recovery services to unhoused individuals. 930, set city budget priorities to implement affordable housing, connect homeless individuals with sanitary mental health and substance abuse recovery services and request assistance from county, metro, state, and federal partners and 931, create a diversion program for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. By way of run of show today, I'm going to give some opening remarks. They will be brief. I will then accept a second for this substitute. That is the language to be included. I will then pass it over to

commissioner Ryan. We will then have an opportunity to offer amendments. Amendments need to be proposed. We'll give each commissioner the opportunity to make their case for any amendments they wish to introduce. And if they are seconded, then they will continue to later in the meeting. Colleagues, I will give one opportunity after we're done putting amendments on the table for any questions people might have at that point, it will not be the last opportunity for questions and if people want to defer, we can defer and go right into public testimony. How many folks do we have signed up today?

Speaker: Clerk: we have 54 people signed up.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: 54. And I will remind people, we had open testimony last week on all of the resolutions. Today's public testimony will narrowly focus on amendments that are offered and seconded before the council. I will then offer an additional opportunity for commissioners to ask if I questions they have, clarifying questions at the end of the public testimony and then we will vote on each of the amendments individually. Then, we will vote on the five resolutions each in order. You don't have to remember all that. It's complicated and I will do my level best to go ahead and keep that moving. There may be a break later in the day.

Commissioner Rubio is attending an event that she absolutely positively must attend and so but she very much wants to participate in the vote at the end of this, so we may have to take a recess so that we can contact her if she's not able to stay with us for the entirety of the meeting. Then, we will reconvene when we have her on the line so that she can cast her vote along with the rest of the council. So, again, I want to thank everybody for being here both in the chamber as well as virtually. We're here to continue our critical work in addressing homelessness. Last week, our council began the discussion of these five resolutions: the text of the fourth resolution as I indicated earlier and this week a substitution has been filed for item

930. Of the council clerk has posted the proposed substitute to the item. So we'll need to make a motion to accept the substitute resolution, second, and vote. And then once we accept that substitute, are the council can proceed with discussing the substitute resolution as the official version and propose any amendments to that resolution when we get to the point of the meeting when people are proposing amendments to the resolutions. With that, I move to accept the substitute resolution for item 930, can I get a second?

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Hardesty seconds. Is there any further discussion on the substitute? Seeing none. Please call the roll on the substitute.

Speaker: Clerk: [roll call].

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. So the substitute is now on the table and just to clarify, this endorses the plan proposed by the Oregon mayor's association taskforce on homelessness and it acknowledges the need to work with our partners at the county on our respective roles and responsibilities related to homelessness and to collaborate with regional partners regarding funding for much-needed services and also directs city staff to coordinate with federal partners on funding opportunities and policy changes. I want to thank my colleagues as well as your staff for their extensive engagement feedback over the last week. I appreciate you and your team's substantial input and the thoughtful conversations we've had regarding the resolutions as well as potential amendments today. Last week, staff gave presentations. Of we heard testimony and we continued these five resolutions today. This is really the second half of a process which we began last week. I personally have great confidence that these resolutions will save lives. They will also save the livelihoods of all Portlanders housed and unhoused. And with the unprecedented public health and community safety crisis on the streets of Portland

nothing short of lives and livelihoods are currently in jeopardy. The unsheltered homeless population grew by just -- in just three years it grew by over 50%. When combined with the affordable housing wait lists that span between five and ten years, that's the publicly available information. Thousands of Portlanders are left out on the streets to fend for themselves. Further, over 90% of the homeless living on our streets report they have never been contacted by offers of services or shelter. Our current approach frankly is not working. It is not serving anybody's interest and it is not working with the urgency that I believe this issue requires. There's nothing humane or compassionate about leaving Portlanders to suffer on the streets alone. We can do better and we will. My administration has taken multiple steps to ensure the public's voice is heard and as many stakeholders as possible are included in this discussion. Last week, we took note of almost seven hours of public testimony. We heard from Portlanders from all walks of life here in this chamber as well as virtually. Additionally, my staff took on the task of reading over 700 individual pieces of written testimony. So for those of you provided written testimony, we thank you. Once again, I want to thank everybody for their time on this matter. As part of the ongoing outreach to our homeless community, commissioner Ryan and I partook in a listening session earlier this week with a group of individuals with lived experiences of being homeless and I want to thank street roots for organizing this important event. Our outreach teams meet with homeless individuals on a near daily basis. From these interactions, we learn directly about the needs of this community as well as their valuable experiences. I want to thank the service providers who've shared their input. My staff meets weekly with service providers to discuss homelessness and health policy issues impacting Portland in the region and I will continue to draw on their expertise in these matters. My staff and I have continued to be deeply engaged with our

community based partners including central city concern, all good northwest. The northwest pilot project, part just future, street roots, as well as various neighborhood associations, the staff from the joint office of homeless services, the multinomah county health department and the multinomah county chair's office. I want to reiterate that those Portlanders who were unhoused and on the streets, they deserve our understanding, our compassion, and our help. To connect people with the services they need to get off and stay off the streets. Our resolutions acknowledge the reality in Portland and set direction on what we hope to achieve. With that, I will turn it over to commissioner Ryan if he has any opening remarks today.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: thank you, mayor Wheeler. I'm proud to be co-sponsoring a plan to improve our city's response for those experiencing homelessness. I'm grateful for the heart felt conversations with those who are currently homeless and I continue to ask and they all continue to ask for safety. Safety, that is the theme I've heard consistently from those who are homeless and from those who are housed. I'm open and here to listen to my colleagues today. If an amendment adds value and efficiency to improving our broken first responder system for those experiencing this humanitarian crisis today, I'm all in. During my time in office, I have a lot of experience facing the head winds from many angles on this issue especially from the houseless industry. As such, if an amendment adds more barriers to action, minimizes our ability to respond or suggest only minor elements of detailed up coming plan of action, I'm out. We don't have time to waste. Portlanders are begging for us to act and to stop tolerating the intolerable. Thanks.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, commissioner Ryan. Colleagues, there are several amendments that have been submitted to the council clerk and posted to

the agenda for public review in advance of this meeting. Now is the time to introduce any of those amendments or any new amendments to these resolutions and I see you, commissioner Rubio. We will discuss these amendments in more detail and vote to approve the amendments later after public testimony. First, we need to get them on the table for consideration, that means they need to be proposed. They'll be discussed and if they are seconded, they will be put on the table. I invite my colleagues with proposed amendments to provide a brief overview of their item and then we'll provide an opportunity for each amendment to be moved and seconded. With that, I see commissioner Rubio.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: thank you, mayor. My first amendment pertains to resolution 927 which aims to establish key actions to increase affordable housing construction. And the actual language would be in the first be it resolved subsection regarding a land bank at subsection one, my amendment would add a new subsection c as follows. The Portland housing bureau shall work collaboratively with other city bureau actively acquiring property to explore whether those acquisitions may be used in full or in part to affordable housing development. This acquisition should continue beyond February 2023 and become a practice in the Portland bureau and other city bureaus and I would like my colleagues to know that the collaboration on acquisition does happen, but I believe the practice needs to be codified and incorporated as a consistent practice particularly between parks and the housing bureau. And an example of that -- the best example I can point to is how the bureaus work together on discovery park with affordable housing out on northeast halsey.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, commissioner Rubio. Are there any questions of commissioner Rubio on this or further discussion? If not, is there a second?

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner hardesty seconds. Commissioner Rubio, I understand you have a second amendment, is that correct?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: yes. I have one more. 929, it aims to houseless individuals. In the be it resolved subsection 1a I think that's i, strike a maximum of 500 people per campus when divided into quadrants and replace with up to six campuses with the maximum of 250 each when divided up. And, my goal here is to make it abundantly clear that we recognize and hear the fears and concerns about size and because of the compelling testimony we've heard and also that I just read in the streets roots town hall report and together with the recommendation of service providers actively running people-centered safe rest campuses and other places and that is we need to keep these ideally as small and responsive as we are able and this ensures that we need to start small, but up to 250 individuals to prove the new model works before doing anything further. And based on the conversations I've had with my colleagues in the last several days, I know we're all committed to this approach and I also want to acknowledge that there are members of our community who don't trust that we will. So I'm hoping that this amendment together with the prior feedback that the mayor has incorporated will demonstrate that we must be measured and thoughtful and humane as these resolutions move into actual design, take shape in implementation stages and we should be as transparent as possible. In addition, before I hand it back to the mayor, I just made a note we made an error. We should have updated subsection 1b to strike three and replace it with six so if my amendment does pass, the updated language in subsection b are in alignment.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: very good.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Hardesty seconds and I just want to be clear, second means we're moving it further to discussion and we'll take public testimony. There's no assumption at this point that the council supports the amendments. But they're up for discussion. Any other thoughts on this before we move on? Next up is commissioner Hardesty.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: thank you, mayor. Thank you. Good afternoon mayor, colleagues. My first amendment, the commissioner Hardesty amendment one is to resolution 927 the affordable housing production. And, basically, what this amendment would do is actually require the city to address the issue of so many unused and vacant lots all over the city of Portland. Too many property owners are sitting on buildings that are rotting away and some of these are in prime locations where affordable housing could be built. So amendment number one would actually have the city attorney's office provide us with an analysis on how the city can best use this power of eminent domain to help us reach our affordable housing goal. I'll accept a second.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Rubio seconds. Great. We'll talk about that later. Hardesty two.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: Hardesty amendment two is to work force. I'd like to make an adjustment to my amendment at the beginning. So the beginning of the amendment should read, and I'm going to stop for a second because I know I talk really fast and I want to make sure that the Spanish interpreter is okay with the speed I'm talking. Can I get a thumb up? Are you okay? Please let me know if I'm going too fast because I'm from Baltimore and I tend to talk really fast.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: and, veronica, if you need us to slow down, just pipe up, speak up just so we -- I may not always be looking up. I'm sometimes looking down at the documents.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: just wanted to double check that before I got too deep. Hardesty amendment. It is the unhoused workforce development. So the slight adjustment I'd like to make should read at the beginning, during the development of this policy, there shall be a convening of community experts and we will replace the city shall convene with during the development of this policy, there should be a group of community experts. We are blessed in the city of Portland with so many community based organizations that know how to get unhoused people employed and we have a list of those that have been very successful at it. So really it would be a wasted opportunity to go through a process to develop a resolution about ensuring that we have the experts at the table. So that concludes that resolution. Could I get' second?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Rubio seconds. Commissioner Mapps.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: yeah. Commissioner Hardesty, could you read the beginning again? I'm not sure if I followed.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: so during the development, you may remember the city shall convene. It was how I originally worded it. But, instead, I'm taking that language out and replacing it with "during the development of this policy, there shall be a convening of a group of community experts." everything else remains the same.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: and, commissioner Rubio, just to be clear, you're happy to second it with that change?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: yes.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: very good. That's hardesty two.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: all right. Hardesty three, 929. As we discussed, our houseless community members we know that 60% of our houseless community members are people with disabilities, but there's nothing in this resolution about how we will. So hardesty amendment three is to ensure that as we're thinking about housing for people who today are houseless, that we are committed to making sure that they have accessibility, that they are safe, that we're not actually warehousing people in huge groups without identifying their specific issues.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Rubio seconds. That's hardesty three.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: so that's part one of hardesty amendment three. Hardesty amendment four is while I know many people would like to believe that if we ban camping, houselessness would simply go away, that's not the reality. Even if the ban policy is ultimately developed, we do not have enough resources to cite, arrest, jail, and process through the criminal justice system anyone who does not have access to a camp. So, instead of an unrealistic zero tolerance ban, I believe the city's resources would be better used developing a plan on how to limit unsanctioned camping in collaboration with groups representing all Portlanders. A great example of this type of work is the effort led by my office to keep campers out of wildfire danger zones going into dry season. We can expand that model working with community groups, city bureaus, and the houseless community to maximize options available for where houseless people can go, identify the high-risk locations where people should not camp, and find ways to better refer services to those in need. This is a realistic option suggesting that we can flip a switch and be rid of

camping really is not. I also want to remind the public that criminalizing poverty is very expensive. It cost taxpayers over \$300 per individual per night to jail someone in multinomah county. It could cost far less to provide housing for people currently living unsheltered. That is the explanation for amendment four. Is there a second?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: no second. Hardesty five.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: hardesty five. I've heard a majority of my colleagues acknowledging that we need to be methodical in setting up large camps to avoid a humanitarian crisis. I appreciate that comment, but to that end, this resolution contains language requiring an expansion of a camp beyond 150 to come to council. This need for additional approval before further expansion will help ensure these camps are functioning safely and effectively. We've also heard a lot of testimony last week from people concerning a 500-person tent city in the logistical challenges associated with that. With council action already required in serious concerns expressed from the community, I think we should just remove any mention of 500-person encampments and keep it to 150. If the city can make a 150-person camp work and is interested in exploring the campus model discussed in this proposal, the plan must already come from council. Therefore, I believe removing this language will help reduce fear for many about this proposal. Is there a second for my amendment five?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: no second. Hardesty six.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: resolution hardesty amendment six. While I appreciate the need for setting up large scale encampments slowly, I've also heard a lot of my colleagues highlight a need for being expedient. The current language says we won't have any new capacity added until 18 months after securing funding. My office worked with mayor Wheeler to set up three cpo camps in a month during the height of covid. Though admittedly, these were temporary locations.

Commissioner Ryan added our first safe best village campers in less than 18 months of securing funding and has gained a lot of insight into outdoor camping being managed by the city. There's also a lot of preparatory work that can be done before funding is secure. I do not believe saying that this is an emergency and that we won't add any new camping capacity for likely over two years actually lines up and is consistent with the sense of urgency. I think we should strive to have the first new camping space up and running within six months of obtaining funding. The language does not mandate that the first camp be operating at maximum capacity simply that our first new capacity coming online six months after we secure funding. Can I get a second?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: can I ask a clarifying question?

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: absolutely.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: to be clear, the original language doesn't say 18 months, it says within. So that was just the time frame we thought was reasonable. Part of this has to be partnerships with the county and service providers and others. So it wasn't intended to be a limited factor, it was intended to be a deadline.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: well, I appreciate that clarification, mayor, but, again, when I see 18 months and we don't have any funding in place at the moment, if there's a sense of urgency, then I would hope that we would be acting much more quickly to make that happen. And, I apologize. I misread that. Again, if this is an emergency and we want to take action right now, why do we need to wait 18 months. You and I did it in a month during the height of covid. We cited three camps and they were all very successful. Is there a second? Just to consider the conversation.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: no second. Hardesty seven.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: okay. Hardesty seven. This is a companion amendment to Hardesty number four. This explicitly discusses the council's ability to consider expanding a successful camp to a campus model. As we assess the correct size of this encampment, I would like to read an e-mail into the public record. This e-mail was from Commissioner Dan Ryan to Mayor Wheeler on October 7th, 2021, and it read, I wanted to follow up on my voicemail earlier today and let you know that I have grave concerns with the concept of creating how population outdoor camping zones along with cost zones in which no camping is allowed. Where am I? Lost my space, sorry. Where no camping is allowed. I believe that the creation of these zones would quickly lead to extremely detrimental outcomes for people experiencing homelessness. These are our most vulnerable community members and requiring them to move out of certain parts of the city and into large encampments with little to no social services is a recipe for disaster. Instances of human trafficking, widespread drug distribution, and various other illicit and highly harmful activities would almost certainly occur at much greater rates among such a large concentrated population. There are established guidelines against this [indiscernible]. So I'm curious, Commissioner, how did you change so radically in one year from thinking that anything over 100 would be too much?

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: we went from a tweet to a thoughtful dialog and we now are talking about services.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: but this is an e-mail. There was no tweet.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: what I was responding to. So you ask me a question I'm now answering it. That's my answer.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: your answer is you went from a tweet to a plan.

Speaker: Commissioner Ryan: for the record, I was responding to a tweet. I was responding to the media that day along with you and everyone else and this has

been a thoughtful dialog with a real plan that's included many other stakeholders in the dialog and with services. So we're in a different place today than when that was written.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: I certainly hope that's so. We'll see. There is established guidelines expense the -- zoning codes stipulate that is outdoor shelter must not be greater than 60 pods and paving the pathway from streets to stability ordinance passed on June 30th, we indicated that one of the criteria used to identify high-impact encampments is the size of the camp. This is due to the fact that we know that large encampments quickly become [indiscernible] and unsafe for all parties. Lastly, we did not have outdoor shelter providers who will engage in providing services to sanction encampments of this size. I earnestly want to work with you to strive in resolving our city's most pressing crisis, however, I cannot support this approach for the reasons indicated above. I will continue to work with you closely and in good faith to find solutions. So, I asked my question already to commissioner Ryan. I will now move on. That was number seven.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: correct. Hardesty seven.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: is there a second?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Rubio seconds. Hardesty seven. Hardesty eight.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: Hardesty amendment eight. These camps should be spread -- it should not be confined to just one neighborhood or one community. We should all share the joy and the pain of having a quote unquote sanction camps in our neighborhood. Is there a second for this one?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Rubio seconds Hardesty eight.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: Hardesty amendment nine. Given from what I've heard from our jurisdictional partners and what I've read in the media, it seems clear that conversations regarding this plan have only recently started with other government entities and that there has not been a space convening for all of our partners to come together. If the city hopes to be successful, we should convene a meeting with all of our partners to highlight their resources, capacity, and plans to address the houselessness issues. I do not believe this needs to be a decision-making table or a long formed reoccurring committee, but a group that meets two to three times to put our cards on the table with a sense of where each jurisdiction is headed and how we can help 1 another to accomplish our goal. Can I get a second for Hardesty amendment nine?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: no second. Hardesty ten.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: it's going to be really hard for us to do this as lone rangers. So I would be interested to see how you guys move that forward. Hardesty ten. This plan outlined in these resolutions will cost a tremendous amount of resources and I completely agree with the mayor that we need additional resources from the state to address this problem. And while I agree the [indiscernible] from the organization is a good start, it is nowhere near enough money to complete the goals outlined in this resolution. If we want to execute these ambitious plans, we need to ask our state lawmakers to be ambitious in figuring out ways to address this houselessness crisis across the state. As we look at the kicker as one possibility, I would like to see discussed at the next legislative body. It is not the only one that should be discussed as there are many opportunities with the e-board even after the election season is over to actually request a billion dollars to invest in housing that people truly can afford to live in throughout our state. This amendment is an example of the type of bold funding conversations

necessary to -- for us to have if we ever hope to realistically address the problem of housing and the houselessness crisis that we are in at this moment. Can I get a second on amendment ten?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: can I ask a clarifying question?

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: absolutely.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: I'm open to the conversation. My concern here is that this is a clear legislative ask and I believe in two weeks we -- when are we taking up the legislative agenda?

Speaker: 29th of November.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: November 29th. So at the end of this month, I would recommend we move this into that discussion.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: well, I agree, but, again, if this resolution is setting out what our vision is for how we get to the solution that is we want, I mean, we don't even have to say kicker. We can say we'll make it part of our legislative agenda. Again, if we're not asking for a billion dollars, I know the mayor's not asking for enough. We're not asking for a billion dollars to actually help the state.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: again. I'll just speak for myself. I'm open to the discussion, but we have a process for our legislative asks that goes through the legislative policy. And this would be derailing that policy. Personally, I can't support it, but maybe others can.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: don't all your resolutions aren't they all because of an emergency.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: this is a very specific funding proposal that's part of a legislative ask and as you know, commissioner, we have a process for our legislative asks and I'd like to honor that process.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: very well. Is there a second? No. Moving on. All right. I guess that concludes my amendments. Do you have a question?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Mapps, I'm sorry.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: I thought I saw commissioner Rubio lean in. Commissioner Rubio, did you have something you wanted to say.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio: I was going to second.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: I would love us to continue to have the conversation and preparation for our legislative meeting. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: okay. That is to be clear, that is a second on Hardesty ten. Very good. All right. So I have an amendment believe it or not and this pertains to item 929 and it would take the language related to the annual report. So this is the result section of 929 and it would include the following. Grass part of the annual budget process, the SSCC which is the street services coordination center will provide an update to individual council offices by the end of each fiscal year regarding the availability of beds and the safety of designated alternative camping sites. Could I get a second?

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: second.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: commissioner Mapps seconds Wheeler one.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: can I ask for clarification?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: of course. Certainly.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: say that again.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: as part of the annual budget process, the SSCC, the street services coordination center will provide an update to individual council offices by the end of each fiscal year regarding the total available beds and the safety of designated alternative camping sites.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: would you accept a friendly amendment?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: possibly. What is it?

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: a quarterly report back.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: let me do this on a friendly basis. I don't know what work is actually involved. If it's being tallied on a regular basis, I personally have no problem with that so maybe we can just take that as a matter of course and you and I can follow up with the SCC separately and I would support that: no objection to it whatsoever.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: yeah. I would hate to wait a year to find out how many beds we have on that.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: yeah. And did I get a second? Commissioner Mapps seconded that. All right. Those are the amendments on the table just to review. We answer Rubio one pertaining to collaboration between bureaus. We have Rubio two which reduces the maximum to 250 and increases the number of sites envisioned to six. We have Hardesty one which be it further resolved creates a city attorney analysis to report back on eminent domain strategies. Did Hardesty two get a second?

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: yes. Commissioner Rubio seconded it.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: okay. That's why I circled it. Sorry. Hardesty two is a be it further resolved that the city during the development, the city's going to convene a group of community experts on employment options. Hardesty three which was related to disabilities, that got a second. Hardesty four did not. Hardesty five did not. Hardesty six did not. Hardesty seven. After the establishment of initial camps, the city may consider creating campus model on a large city-controlled property. Hardesty eight established at least three designated camping sites that must be diversely spread across the city. And those were the last Hardesty amendments and then Wheeler one was the one we just discussed providing a report on available

beds and the safety of designated camping sites. It calls for annually, but I've given my word to commissioner Hardesty, if we can do it -- did I not say Hardesty ten? I'm sorry. Correct. Hardesty ten, be it further resolved the state calls upon the city \$1 billion of kicker funding during the 2023 legislative session and then Wheeler one. Those are the amendments that are up for discussion. So I will as promised offer any opportunities for council questions at this time before we get to public testimony. We'll obviously have an opportunity as well after public testimony.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: I'm fine with public testimony first.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: very good. With that, we'll begin public testimony. We have about 55 people signed up. We would ask you to keep your testimony, please, to two minutes. There's two things we need to know. Your name for the record. We do not need to know your address in fact we encourage you not to give it unless you really want to and, second, it would be helpful to note which specific amendment you're referring to during your testimony so that we can follow along. With that, I'll turn it over to Keylin, our amazing council clerk who will manage the public testimony. Please keep it to two minutes. We have a lot of people signed up. Also, if you just agree with something somebody else said, feel free I agree with fill in the blank and here's what else I think. That's fine too.

Speaker: Clerk: thank you, mayor. First up, we have Monica Cory, Lynn Groves, and Amanda Snook.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: welcome.

Speaker: Hi there. Okay. Okay. My name's Monica Cory. I'm a second generation Portlander. I grew up in north Portland and I live at the edge of east Portland next to Gresham. And when I hear the talk about affordable camps and sanctioned camping I'm enthusiastic about it. It's not just tents on the street where I live. We live with still a number of broken down RV trailers with drug addicts and litter on our

streets in our parks and our grass and our greenways and essentially 6,000 people have held Portland, 600,000 people hostage without consequences over the last several years. In Portland, it seems that we make addicts comfortable in their addiction. Anyone in recovery will tell you that you have to hit rock bottom before you can get better, but there is no rock bottom in my neighborhood where people can live wherever they want without consequences. Drugs are ample and people hand you food and water and tents and pick up your trash and those people stay victims. That's not compassion. And it's victimizing the neighborhood as well. I believe you need to meet people where they are, but they must come somewhere to be met and they must be triaged. Not everyone we're talking about is homeless in the same situation. The only one-size-fits-all is no. And that's no you can't sleep here. But yes you can come to a secured site where we can work with you to begin reclaiming your life where we hand out not up. Where we hand up not out. I'm sorry that people don't want to move from their camp sites, but I'm more sorry for the people we heard testify here last week. People who can't navigate sidewalks. People afraid to leave their homes that our tourism industry has been impacted. I'm sorry my disabled daughter can't ride the bus or the max safely anymore. I'm sorry that no one arrested the homeless who ran a three-year chop shop crime ring out in the big four corners natural area which was destroyed. And I applaud your bold decisions and I hope that you will find strong leaders to stand up to the critics and implement difficult decisions.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you for being here.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have Lynn Groves. It doesn't look like Lynn is here. Amanda Smith. How about Sarah Fischer.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: Amanda's here.

Speaker: Clerk: oh, okay.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: welcome. Thanks for being here.

Speaker: My name's amanda and I just wanted to speak about the hardesty amendments three addressing individuals with disabilities. My son and I both have disabilities. I have a physical disability, my son has a mental disability. Forcing my son who has a mental disability into a large encampment even with 150 people is going to stress him. It's going to cause his mental disability to become worse. It's going to cause him to not be able to control his actions and his behaviors even more so than he is now. Um, the very personalities, mental health problems of other people and will exacerbate and stress him in ways that will not be able to -- I won't be able to handle that myself. To make it a criminal thing to be homeless and to keep my son safe from other peoples' varied mental health problems and personalities seems to be very cruel. So I don't know what your plan is to address those sorts of issues where people are not comfortable being in large groups of people, but I'd be interested to hear what you have to say about that.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. I'll just respond briefly because this was a point of question last week as well. This doesn't replace our spectrum of services. There will still be smaller camps, alternative sites, shelters indoors, transitional housing, navigational teams, there will still be affordable housing. This is filling in my opinion an obvious gap just in answer of your question. And i'll go one step further. I don't think it's fair that your son lives on the streets at all given the conditions as you described them. We don't have a robust safety net and I'm hoping this conversation if not else pushes that conversation to the forefront where it should have been years ago. Thank you for your testimony.

Speaker: Clerk: next up we have sarah fischer.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: hello, sarah.

Speaker: Thank you. Mayor Wheeler and commissioners for all this good work and especially for today's amendments. I'm Sarah Fischer, the priest at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and I'm a board member of Sisters. The housing crisis affects everyone in our city. As a person of faith, I'm here to serve the interest of the most vulnerable among us. I'm here for our church and rehab Sisters community member who is suffering. Amanda and her son have had the closest thing to home destroyed many times in the past year. These camp destructions which some people call sweeps are rarely accompanied by the promised offers of shelter and other social services and therefore while perhaps making things superficially better for homeowners only increase the physical and emotional distress of living under a tarp and sleeping in a wet sleeping bag. I will consider any proposed plan that will alleviate suffering for our unhoused neighbors. I am particularly grateful for Commissioner Hardesty's close reading and amendments to this plan all of which speak to the human needs of those most deeply affected. Both Commissioner Hardesty and Commissioner Rubio have helped the ability of 500-person camps which is a reality check for anyone who is concerned about quality of life for all Portlanders. Finally, without agenda item four, people are penalized over which they have no control. This is an extreme case of blaming the victim. It is bad enough that homeowners and other housed Portlanders dehumanized, demean, and threaten our unhoused neighbors. The resolution as originally written threatens to take away any shred of dignity and autonomy that remains warehousing our fellow humans. Please consider including Hardesty four in your conversations. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: next up Joshua Magnanamosly.

Speaker: Hi, my name is Joshua Magnanamosly. I'll keep it really brief. It's such a diverse topic that requires a lot of geographical location and the ability to not

necessarily disenfranchise people but to have the identity of a nurse training program, but a safe place that would allow the ability for a triage to happen. It allows the accountability of like overdose and to treat what I believe -- it's like a leprosy that we're going through. With the lack of self-care and the using drugs and all the different kinds of sores and co-deficient mental and physical traumas but it would start enabling your plan by allowing a position to train our nurses in a high school curriculum to do the triage and it would allow the burn-out to stop happening in our hospitals and in our streets and I think it would provide a better welfare for all of us. Just to point out the geographical location, I would ban it from the streets. It would have to be a no-drug open drugs from the streets. I'll keep it. I've got 30 more seconds, but I would like to set up more personal time. I believe in a real strong budget, but I also believe in accountability is the only thing that will make everybody feel like they're taking part of something. If you get something for free and I pay for it, the resentment's going to be there and the disenfranchising of you don't respect it. I mean, I believe in you always earn, you always have a contribution no matter what it is as long as we can all take part in it. And will actually become a better community for everybody.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, tim larson. Doesn't look like tim is here. Let's move on to jennifer kershesky.

Speaker: The amendments commissioner hardesty's recommending are so much more humane and centered around helping houseless people, not just moving them around. I completely agree with the eminent domain ask and using buildings in place. Phoenix, arizona, addressed this problem and for some reason, we are still here on scratching our heads on what to do. How is it that phoenix is more progressive than Portland? Interesting. Yes, completely too involving community experts into figuring things out. Yes to completely addressing how to additionally

consider accessibility for people. Laurel Hurst was swept on Monday to make space for a new pickle ball court and rapid response left a disabled man in a wheelchair in the fenced in area after they stole his tent. Oops. The city government contracted service did not offer this disabled man a place to go and basically left him in the rain to possibly die when it's down in the 40° right now and we had to have community members come and find this man a place to go. This is such like -- this is a major issue. So where do people go? If they are pretending to be offered these services? Out of the 5,000 available open rentals in Portland, six are less than \$750. We need affordable housing. While we're waiting for these sanctioned camps, there needs to be car camping and tent camping spaces set up so people know where they can be instead of being told no and their belongings stolen. This needs to be diversified across the entire city. There are 250 max people in one space sounds like a lot, but if they do have actual individualized space, that's not a tiny home box, that's humane for people. The safe rest villages have been taken down to one meal a day. Make improvements.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have Rupert Flimbel. Ebony Brown followed by Scott King and Kelsey Shriner. Okay. Let's move on to Songa Mobfley.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: welcome. I want to acknowledge my they're man ship to tell the deputy chairwoman of the African People Party. These colonizers that are in front of us today want to rename the colonized. This is how they make money. These oppressors will never give you anything to help you not be oppressed. All of these laws they've had to answer to. All of these amendments they had to answer to. Everything they've had the budget the answer to, but they do not want the answer to be solved because it makes money for them. This is what's going on here today. These thieves, bullies, and oppressors, liars, cheaters, steal our money, our tax paying money lining their pockets once again from our labor. They created this

evil systematic system to remain in power and in control but yet we will destroy this system. African people will not be the mode of your production anymore. African children will not be the mode of production anymore. Houseless people will not be the mode of production anymore. Mental alley ill people will not be the mode of production anymore. We will unite these human beings that you're not the fbi attack on our party on and us as Portland protesters. You saw the fbi attack on us and you created it. The african community always gets attacked blaming us and making money from it again making the mode of production us. We will defeat you.

Speaker: Clerk: let's go back to shriner, kelsey.

Speaker: Yes. I'm here. Hello mayor Wheeler and commissioners. Can you hear me?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: yeah. Loud and clear.

Speaker: Okay. My name is kelsey shriner and I'm the leader of the Portland press unit. We were successful in getting our landlords to rescind our outrageous increases on rent that were imposed in August. I now understand the broken policies of our city, policies that were supposed to help and protect us. I can't tell you how many nights I cried, how many days I felt entirely defeated and helpless. Had your home or the home of your children threatened. Do you know it currently takes five to six months for intake for a therapist because that's what it took me. I want to ask you, how are people supposed to get help during these crucial times when it's not available? People spiral into homelessness waiting for these services. Many people in our communities need help more than ever, but where do we get it. The essential providers we need in our community are underpaid and overworked. Can we outsource providers from other areas. Do you plan to have resources on site. Do you plan to ensure that these people are given mental health valuations and make sure that he are placed in the appropriate environments with

appropriate resources for them to thrive and be integrated back into society. Please focus on setting these people up with success. Please treat our homeless people with empathy, dignity, and respect. I appreciate -- I encourage you all to look deeply into these issues and focus on supportive actions going forward. Stop ignoring the core problems in our community and think outside the box. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Commissioner Mapps, did you have a question?

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: nope.

Speaker: Clerk: next up danielle malard. Okay. Let's move on to barbara webber.

Speaker: Good afternoon mayor Wheeler and commissioners.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you.

Speaker: Caller: we are here again today. So we're still talking about the same thing. I want to say I took quite a bit of time going over the amendments to the proposals that commissioner hardesty has put through. I do believe that they're much more humane. I know that you and/or mayor Wheeler and dan Ryan had a time with the houseless population to find out how they're feeling and where it was on the amendments. I just kind of want to reiterate that, you know, the camping ban is one of those things that is not -- has not been effective. I mean, we kind of are under a camping ban, that's why people are able to be moved and displaced as often times as they are. Of the I think that our current system doesn't allow us to really give people services. It allows us to barely offer them services, but the follow through is really lacking. So, you know, my hopes for these plans is that they, you know, I think it makes it better. Also, some of the current programs and our current situations that are out there are, you know, I think need to be assessed and made sure that they have everything that they need. We've talked about this in addition to already out there. But, you know, there's, you know, some projects that get told

that they're, you know, a couple years down the road that one thing or another is going to happen. So I think that there's a big thing with the city right now where especially with our community what we feel mostly is a lack of follow-through. We have people that will say we can do xyz for you and then that never happens and I think that that's a lot why you have such a heightened sense of urgency in this situation and also why you have a lot of people that are extremely upset, you know. And then you have the media and other things that have kind of posed an us against them mentality. Not just an unhoused and housed mentality, but also, now with the lawsuit and disability issues, well, you know, every person that I know in the houseless community to include myself is disabled. So I think that it's disinherently wrong [indiscernible] one community or apartment against each other. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Appreciate it.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have jessie press lakerson followed by bren ax and corena gaines. Okay. Let's move on to mia winters followed by lauren armony. Mia winters and lauren armony. No. Okay. Mia winters. No? Okay. How about eric cress.

Speaker: Caller: yes. Thank you, can you hear me?

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: loud and clear.

Speaker: Caller: thank you for accepting my testimony today. I'm speaking on behalf of the central east side industrial council. It's a major employment area in the city of Portland with over 1300 businesses and 22000 employees. Many of those businesses provide medium wage and jobs vital to providing equality and e alleviating poverty in our region. We have worked with businesses impacted by covid's economic impact still disruption, proliferation of crime, outdoor residents moving in to the district, and a rise of people with mental illnesses living on the street. We have talked with businesses that have chosen to leave due to crime, a

constant threat and a lack of safety. Those include a preschool as well as employers where children are present. In our industry, people have been exposed to attacks, public master intubation, stabbings, burning of tent homes and vandalism. Remember, these are not just housed adults who are affected, but also our most vulnerable, our children. I'll remind you that through central east side industrial enhancement service districts, we have spent over \$6 million since 2019 supporting the houseless community with sanitation services, safety, and care to improve our business district. Our trauma-informed care has been seen as a model for other esd's to use and balance the needs of outdoor residents and business districts where they live. However, this model is only successful in the right environment. Successful when the community is supported by city services such as law enforcement and sanitation. We have collectively failed to recognize what is required to build a thriving eco system that supports employees, employers, and customers at large. We urge the Portland City Council to approve the mayor's and commissioner Ryan's recommendations to ensure central east sided business owners, employees, customers, and property owners and residents can build a more prosperous future. We think this will ultimately be the best for our outdoor residents as we hold a vision for a better economic future. Thank you for the time today.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: let's go to lauren armony.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: great. Thanks. Hi, lauren.

Speaker: Hello. All right. Good afternoon everyone. My name is lauren armony and I'm the systemic change program manager at sisters of the road. I would like to thank commissioner hardesty for taking the time to thoughtfully provide some improvements to the resolutions presented and I'm astounded that many of them

were not seen as valuable by your fellow commissioners. In regards to 927, I'm curious as to how this actually makes and keeps current housing affordable. Paternalistic grants for landlords and developers only serve to subsidize corporate profits. However, I find the use of eminent domain. As for 929, compulsory housing and mental health services compounds poverty. Creates yet another point of contention between housed and unhoused residents and criminalizes noncompliance. I do not see how these resolutions address the root causes of homelessness. Finally, I find it absolutely ludicrous to vote on these resolutions when there's no clear plans on its funding and we've only had two weeks to discuss this openly as a community. I say vote no and thank you for your time.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have tim larsen.

Speaker: Hi. I hope the interpreter can keep up with this because I'm going to have to go really fast. Item number 928. Sure.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: victoria, you doing all right? I can't see her.

Speaker: We've got lucia.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: oh, lucia, welcome. If the pace isn't good chime in and we'll fix that.

Speaker: And I'm way happy to go slower for her. First, number 928. Unhoused opportunities for non standard work this is critical in providing rapid connection with the homeless community through peer outreach guidance and advocacy in cooperation with expanded solutions to housing, mental illness and substance addiction problems. These measures are an important part of all five measures and are the backbone of the portuguese plan. This plan is considered to be the gold standard for treating homelessness, addiction, and mental illness in the entire world. Portugal has had this plan in place for 25 years. In the past 20 of which has led the world in reducing the problems of homelessness, addiction, and male

illness no one even comes close. Most responsible for all health and welfare programs that involve the citizens of Portland. It is clear that a hand in glove according to many news reports, the current county chair has refused to cooperate in the parking signs or to allow county land to be used for these very critical structures. One candidate for the county chair position has pledged to immediately institute a modified portuguese plan convert unused county land to safe camping and parking sites and restructure bureaus to safely, effectively and successfully provide these services. I hope you all will read your ballots carefully and vote for the doctor. Thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have jenna golden.

Speaker: Caller: hi there. My name is jenna golden. I'm deeply disturbed by measure 929. I also believe that unsanctioned camping should not be made illegal. I'm also really concerned that none of the proposals that we talked about got here in the first place. These proposals are dealing with where we are now without addressing the root of the problem. The Oregon center for public policy. It's no surprise here in Portland since the city's policy over the past two decades has been growth at any cost. Handing out massive tax breaks to developers. They cash the checks, but the real cost is incurred by Portlanders struggling to stay housed. Why is there a city affordable housing policy that allows building owners to raise the rent 50%. A policy that the prescott apartments like kelsey mentioned earlier had to fight. In the end, they were successful because they got the story out to the press. What happens next time? Has this and other predatory policies changed? Regarding the tenant strike, commissioner Ryan, you were devoted saying all good policy change requires dialog with people on both side of the issue and that we are focused on keeping people housed. If that's the case, why wasn't the prescott tenants union invited. Looking to 2023, the rent cap goes up to 14.6%. Then more

people will just be unhoused. How will the city support renters? Where are the policies to keep people housed? The housing crisis was created by policies that favor developers and investment companies. Perpetuating the idea that unhoused folks are to blame for their circumstances entirely ignores the fact that decision-makers chose the conditions that led to housing insecurity and displacement in the first place. Let's be the city where housing is a human right. Not to those experiencing poverty with forced internment, and unsafe overpopulated outdoor campuses. This year it's 500 people, next year it's a 1,000. Stay focused on houses and not on people.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have jennifer parish taylor followed by bee thorton.

Speaker: My name is jennifer parish taylor. I was here last week. We are here today to voice concerns that people of color who continue to face disproportionate rates of homelessness will not be served equitably but will be harmed by it. Commissioner hardesty's amendments are well-intentioned and we support them as they diminish potential for impact on black communities. We appreciate the leadership she has taken on this to make this regressive resolution less harmful. However, the substance of this proposal is misguided, the community engagement has been obismal. Camps larger than 30 people are untenable. This discrepancy is demonstrative of has informed this resolution. Other cities have tried mass camps like what is being proposed today. In 2021, the city of los angeles created a camp of 70 tents that cost the city \$32,000 a year per tent to prolong the homelessness of the residents. According to the 2019 regional supportive housing impact fund so the Portland area, supportive housing costs on average \$16,500 per person per year or \$45 per day. Supportive housing is more immediately cost effective when compared to the daily cost of crisis care. Banning public camping and creating mass camps will direct resources away from the greatest needs housing. Mass camps

exacerbate the problem. Whether it's multinomah initiatives, in the span of just four months. We should scale similar efforts instead of redirecting resources away from them and I've submitted written testimony as well. Thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have bee thornton. Let's move on to sarah rudolph.

Speaker: Caller: hi. Sarah rudolph. Life long Portland resident and direct service provider. I want to appreciate commissioner hardesty and Rubio's thoughtful attempt at harm reduction when addressing this bill or these bills. I am concerned that we are continuing as has been addressed by a couple of previous speakers to ignore the root causes of houselessness specifically in our city. We have been exploited for the last 20 years by City Council, the mayors, and their developer cronies and we have watched multiple projects time and time again promise affordable housing, promise accessible housing and not deliver with no repercussions. Developers have squeezed enough money out of this city that I think it's vital that we look at eminent domain as a way to get some of that back. I would also encourage us to look at land banked properties in possession of various city and county agencies, Portland public schools, the water bureau, all of them have excessive amounts of land banked property that we could be building affordable housing on, that we could be building quicker camps on. I would also encourage us, again, I would also say that 30 to 50 is the maximum workable size for a camp, but we do not have the services to support these camps. We do not have mental health services in the city to support the number of people. We're putting the cart before the horse and if we cannot provide funding for services that are already severely stressed, we cannot move forward with something of this scale certainly. Thank you very much.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have kaya sand.

Speaker: Good afternoon. Kaya sand executive director of street roots. ACLU Oregon e-mailed each of you as well as the city attorney a legal notice on behalf of street roots. The legal notice sets out why the City Council should postpone your vote today on mass camps that are proposed in 929. If you have not done so, please read the notice and consider all of the potential legal ramifications of your actions before proceeding with a vote on the mass camp resolution. Second, this has not been an equitable democratic process. Dangerously so for people experiencing homelessness. Money seems to buy access. So I'm seeding my time to Randy Humphreys who's been want to go testify and has not been able to get signed up.

Speaker: My name's Randy Humphreys. I've been homeless around here for eleven years. It's unconstitutional. People want to be homeless, they have a right to be homeless. You can't force somebody that does not want to do what is forced them to do. They choose to be out here on the streets. We cannot -- it's hurting people and killing people to force people off the streets. Okay. And another thing, I think that I want to say that -- I forgot

Speaker: Was it about the eviction?

Speaker: Yeah. Eviction. If you're going to allow eviction, then it's going to create more homelessness. So we need to stop the evictions right now. Yeah. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: if I may, Mayor. Thank you. Before you leave. Sir, please come back. Thank you. I can talk to Kaya any time, but I definitely wanted to challenge the statement you made. You made a statement that said, people want to be homeless. Now, there may be a percentage of people that prefer to be outside in the woods it may be a percentage of people I know kids would come for the summer and think it was cool to hang out and sleep outside. But I have to tell

you, I talk to houseless people every single day and most of the ones I talk to would be thrilled to have a safe, warm place to lay their head at night. So I'm just wondering, when you made that statement, it made me sit up and take notice so --

Speaker: I just want to say something. I've been -- I've talked to a lot of veterans out here, that have been out on the streets for 20 to 30 years that like being where they're at, that's where they feel comfortable being. They feel comfortable out there, outdoors.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: and what percentage of the people because as a street roots vendor, you interact with people all the time.

Speaker: Yeah. Do i.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: would you tell me out of the people you interact with, you have a group of people you know love being outside --

Speaker: About 30 to 40 people 50 people a day.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: I understand that. What I'm saying is that there are thousands of people living on the street, living in automobiles and rvs, living double, tripled up --

Speaker: There's about 6,000 on the streets right now.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty: I trust your numbers better than I trust the joint office. Well, I appreciate you being here and because this is something that my colleagues and other quote unquote professionals say all the time, people out there are out there because they want to be out there and I just did not want to leave that on the record, but granted, someone like you who's learned to survive on the street is an exception. But the 6,000 other people out there on the street, they really would like to have a safe place to lay their head at night I believe.

Speaker: There's just not enough housing. It's a five to ten-year wait to get in section eight or any kind of housing list and a lot of people don't have that time.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty: I hear you. I wouldn't have that time either honestly. Thank you so much. We appreciate you both being here.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: wait. Commissioner Mapps has a question.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: I've got one more. Randy is it? Hey, Randy. Mingus. I appreciate hearing your perspective. You brought up a lot of great points and you brought up something that makes me concerned and I just want to follow up on it. She mentioned you had trouble signing up for testimony. What was the challenge there?

Speaker: I came in yesterday and I didn't have time to sign up for the testimony today.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: oh,

Speaker: Yeah. I don't have access to a computer or a phone, so I couldn't sign up.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: oh, okay. Well, I'm glad Street Roots was able to connect you with council and I hope that we can figure out some outreach to kind of eliminate barriers so that folks in your position --

Speaker: It's an honor to be here today.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: it's an honor to both have this conversation. Thanks for being here. I know it can be kind of intimidating.

Speaker: And, Commissioner Mapps, this is exactly why we want this postponed because it's hard for Randy and so many people to access this. We would love to have engaged testimony. I don't tell Randy or anyone else what to say, I want you to have a diverse range of knowledge that you're able to draw from and I don't think that's happened with this process.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: okay.

Speaker: I've experienced 11 years out here and it's hard to live on the streets. Who wants to live with rats? You know, because I sure don't. And as long as there's

garbage, there's rats. And we need to pick up the streets and keep them clean and the homeless need to do their part too, you know. There's some good drug addicts and some bad drug addicts. I've been a drug addict for 25 years. They don't allow smoking in treatment, then I can't do it. I can't get treatment because I -- smoking helps with my stress.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: yeah. I hear you, randy.

Speaker: I've had a lot of trauma in my life to where that's why I've been homeless. That's why I choose to use drugs because of the trauma I've had in my life.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. We really appreciate you.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: one last thing. I'm really glad you came here today and I want to encourage you to come back to this council. We're here to listen to you and work with you to make our city better and healthier and stronger. So and if you ever have trouble figuring out how to sign up, my name's mingus, my office is right outside this building, you can just knock on the door and we'll help you.

Speaker: All right. Thank you.

Speaker: Let's work together on that. That's completely our focus too. Let's work together. We'd love to have all of that before we have this kind of vote.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps: that would be great.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, sir. [applause]

Speaker: Clerk: next up, ben copsa. No. Okay. Let's go on to cody mcgraw.

Speaker: Hello City Council. My name is cody mcgraw and I'm testifying today as a community member of Portland. I was born in Portland and my wife and I have lived here most of our lives. My testimony is somewhat elementary in that what I want to cover is one theme and that theme is compassion. One of the definitions of compassion is concern for the sufferings or misfortunes of others. And that includes each of you on City Council. I know there are people out there who I

respect that are going to be frustrated at me for extending compassion to some of you, but I believe in the healing effects of compassion because we as human beings feel when we are being seen and we are being cared for. I know, commissioner Hardesty, you stepped away, but it's got to suck being the one who speaks against the grain up there. I want to say that I see and I feel you.

Commissioner Ryan, I remember shaking your hand at an event before you got into office. There was a sparkle in your eye and you seemed excited to serve. Now, if I'm being candid, sometimes your eyes say to me, what the hell did I sign up for? I see you. Commissioner Rubio, I bet you carry more emotional weight for City Council than us as a community will ever know. Commissioner Mapps, if I'm being real, I don't have a read on you, but I know we're both human which means I know you have your suffering too. And Mayor Wheeler, people I trust and who are more knowledgeable than me about homelessness and the community are infuriated with you. And I believe compassion fosters compassion. I don't think my words will communicate passion to you. Something tells me your love language isn't words but physical touch. So my ask as I close this out is for someone who's in city hall now that isn't completely furious with Ted to get up and give him a bear hug.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: later. [laughter]

Speaker: I believe in the healing effects of compassion because we as human beings know when we're being seen, loved and when we are being cared for, compassion fosters compassion. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, Cody. We appreciate it. Thank you for being here.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have Sean Jacobson followed by Karen Pan and Bridget Blackburn.

Speaker: Caller: hey everybody. I just wanted to second a lot of the speakers that we just had. Some really great comments. Everything I was going to say was already said by Jenna Golden, so I'm just going to kind of riff. You know, I'm also born and raised in Portland and, you know, I have seen the city has had the model to deal with this problem for a long time. I know that in 2016 when the law was passed to make outdoor camping legal there were people in office at that time that there's going to be a humanitarian crisis on the streets and there were good models for how to deal with this issue put forward and none of them got put into place. And, I just want to go so far as to say I think the biggest reason for that is this economic drive for development in Portland. I don't really believe that the energy behind this issue, behind gun violence and crime as well as in good faith, I think a lot of it is being pushed by large financial interests that really have the continued gentrification and development of Portland in mind. I know that having lived here, I was raised in this community, I was taught by our institutions. What makes Portland different is we want to limit growth and we value social progressivism, social sustainability and ecological values and, you know, I don't actually want to oppose this plan. I think Commissioner Hardesty's amendments are a very good addition. I hope some of you would reconsider those amendments. I really hope you as people who represent this city will think about the legacy values of this place and not throw away our community just to make money. Thank you.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you, appreciate it.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, we have Karen Pan. Followed by Bridget Blackburn.
Bridget, you're muted.

Speaker: Caller: hi there. Thank you Mayor and Commissioners my name is Bridget Blackburn and I'm the co-owner of a 25-year-old small business in the central east side. I'm also a board member of the central east side and I act in another space as

well. I wanted to come today to bring my cautious support to moving this measure forward. I'm very glad to hear the amendments from Hardesty and Rubio at the beginning of this and I'm very hopeful that if this moves forward that it's done in a spirit of collaboration and of working closely with the in-place social services that we've got and with the community that's so concerned about these issues. I would say as small business owners, we generally have tight and close working relationships with the unhoused people in our communities and we would like to be helpful and instructive on people who we know need more care and approaches to be successful when doing outreach to individuals. And I would also like to back up and just say it was 2015 when Portland put into effect the current state of emergency and clearly after seven years, we've not acted on that emergency. So I would like to have a real understanding of commitment of the level of emergency that it is because it seems to me it's a four alarm, red light situation and we need clarification from this City Council that you're going to be able to move forward effectively quickly and with the community in place. We're crashing into a place where our own employees cannot afford to live in the communities that they work in. When we are in this space, we'll lose ourselves, we'll lose our small communities and small businesses and so we must keep all of that in mind before doing this important work. I commend you all for your efforts and thank you for your time.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you for being here.

Speaker: Clerk: next up, Mercedes Alazalde.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: welcome.

Speaker: Good afternoon Mayor Wheeler City Commissioners. I'm the public policy director at Central City Concern. We serve approximately 13,000 people annually impacted by homelessness, poverty, and needs. We speak respectively to items 927 and 928. The city is a leader in affordable housing and supported employment.

Having robust investments and many of your staff have heard from me over the past four months about a residential project. We started the permitting process in December of 2021 and despite the best efforts of the city staff involved, it will take until spring 2023. Your leadership can make these efficiencies and vastly increase housing development and we will have a seat at the table for other operators owners and developers to implement the needed changes. And social enterprise investments. When we review our internal data, people who are about seven and a half more times when they have income support. Regarding the other resolutions and amendments on the table, we ask that you take more time to consult people currently experiencing homelessness. We object the notion that it's any part of a recipe for success. Making someone's situation illegal will be counter productive. All it does is punish people in our system. Please do not devalue the hours that many city staff and commissioner Hardesty have dedicated. Please do not push forward tactics and as quoted in the preamble of resolution 929, criminalization is a driver of increasing homelessness. We ask that you support resolution items 927 and 928 as amended. Thank you very much for your time today.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. And when we get to the end of this, we'll take a break.

Speaker: Next up, Mia Bonella. Doesn't look like Mia's here. So last, Aaron Meachan. Aaron, you're muted. There we go.

Speaker: Hello. Thank you for giving me this opportunity. I have testified before. I was at the town hall and I am a resident of Gresham. I just want to thank you all for your time. Commissioner Ryan, commissioner Hardesty, commissioner Rubio, commissioner Mapps, and Mayor Wheeler and everyone in this room, we are apart of the solution. I just want to remind us about I don't know if you're familiar, but with the League of Oregon Cities Guide to Experiencing Homeless where it states a

person does not have access to shelter because of their gender, age, or disability. Access to shelter requires a person to submit themselves to religious teaching for which they themselves do not believe and also if they're prohibited to the shelter because of substance abuse, alcohol or drugs because of their past or criminal behaviors that those are according to the ninth circuit or the u.s. Superior court supreme court that you can't punish people because of that. I appreciate all the testimony and feedback and it looks like there's a lot more work to do and I would implore you to bring people to the table who are the most affected by this. They're experts in the situation, they have something to share and they have solutions. There are people that have solutions to the problem that they are living in right now and have some great ideas. So please before you make your decision, consider the folks that you've heard, consider the data you've collected and if you want to ask -- want to know what a homeless person needs, ask them. They'll tell you. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: Mayor Wheeler: thank you. Does that complete this group? All right. So we'll do this. We'll take a 15-minute recess. It's currently 3:45. Is that good? Will the council -- 15? Okay. We will recess until 4:00 p.m. And then we will come back into session. We are in recess.

Speaker: -- your seats, we are back in session, and i'll fiddle around with my camera here. There we are. Good. We're back in session.

Speaker: Thank you, mayor. We are on number 36. I'll call three, mary emerson followed by kelsey marley and jana tessman.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Thank you. So given today's aclu action, this may be irrelevant, but thank you, deeply, to commissioners hardesty and Rubio, for your very thoughtful amendments to proposal that's on the table. It's a proposal to address the most

visible aspects of homelessness with some sense of urgency. I support the amendments, even the ones that weren't seconded, but there are still low hanging fruit, and I propose three additional amendments to item 929. First amendment. Tap into sources of indoor and permanent housing that are available now so that residents are better positioned for success. The city and must work cooperatively with the county to extend and expand the proven pilot project, move in Multnomah. Annual costs are similar to proposed campgrounds and will get people into stable, permanent indoor housing in a matter of weeks using already built and vacant rental housing units. The city and must work cooperatively with nonprofits, the county and the state to find other opportunities to use existing facilities that may be available now to create homes more quickly. Maybe airbnbs could be converted to permanent housing, and it could be available through a service such as move in Multnomah or move in Portland or what have you. We need to investigate whether maybe emergency declarations can be used to lift barriers to converting unused downtown office space into sr-like facilities. Second amendment. Provide emergency funding and surfaces to help pay rent and mitigate other issues to insure housed people remain housed and don't add to your number of homeless. This could include rental assistance for low and middle income people among other things. Third amendment, expand the reporting in your amendment, mayor Wheeler. Audit the number of housing units available and placements made to permanent housing such as move in Multnomah, move in Portland, whatever it is. Audit the number of eviction notices due to nonpayment and refer landlords and renters to services to help resolve issues and maintain the tenants in a stable, permanent home. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: Next up we have kelsey marley. Followed by jana tessman. Jana, you're muted. Jana, will you try to unmute? All right. We'll --

Speaker: Hello, hello?

Speaker: Yep, we hear you. [laughter]

Speaker: Hi.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Hi, I just wanted to testify and talk about how I really am sad that the real estate and business folks are no longer here, because I had some ideas about how to revitalize downtown, but I know you all are very close with them, so I hope you will pass on these ideas I have. Okay, so, first of all, we've got this bottleneck in the permitting process for housing because it's spread across seven different bureaus. I read the permit, the auditing permit, and so we're talking slowing down our economy months, years people waiting for permits to build housing that we know is legal and allowed in Portland. So last time I brought this up at the fall bump budget, I did see a bump in the budget go towards the permitting office, but there's like seven of them, first of all, and a bump, a temporary bump, is not appropriate. It needs to be a fully funded department or multiple departments so that the housing can get built. There's no reason, like, the city bureaucracy should not be the bottleneck preventing us from catching up to the housing we've needed since 2008. Okay. So then the other idea I had for how to revitalize downtown, so business owners need to update their ventilation. We have the map now. We know how many exchanges of air we need to reduce respiratory illness, so put your investments there. And also please, please, please, take up hardesty on this very generous offer to eminent domain your buildings because, office buildings, the market decided it's over. We have past innovated working to add an office. We don't need it. So, please, it's generous of the public to socialize the -- of these already very wealthy, fine business owners. They're not hurting. They're fine. They just expect profit. But their office buildings for an investment that it's a gamble.

That's why it's business. So take the loss and innovate. That's why you're in a free market trying to do innovation, so innovate already. We needed the housing yesterday. The other idea if you want more people to spend more money down there, you've got to pay your employees a proper wage so that they can actually afford the housing and services downtown. Thank you so much.

Speaker: Thank you, jana.

Speaker: Next up we have frisco renna.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Frisco, you're muted. Frisco, you're still muted. Yeah. If you're on a phone, try star 6 to unmute. All right. We'll check back. Why don't we go to robin burgess.

Speaker: Hello there. I'm robin burgess. In the press release where commissioner hardesty explained her proposed amendment, she lamented about having more time to do community outreach and was saying I don't understand why we are rushing through a multiyear plan in just two weeks. If it comes to passing item 929 as is, I would prefer the amendments which appear to be based partially on the limited feedback the city has gathered from last week's testimony and the last minute town hall. But I can't help but feel uneasy that folks like her are continuously forced to craft policies in a last minute reaction. And the resulting amendments read like a last minute reaction. Hardesty amendment 4 replaces the language in item 929 with references to an eventual plan to limit unsanctioned encampments developed in consultation with experienced community -- sorry, community partners once sufficient capacity exists to assist the city's houseless. This language may protect unhoused people from the immediate threat of criminalization, but I fear that the city has predefined sufficient capacity and community partners to suit whatever's the most politically convenient. It feels like a

concession to delay the criminalization of unsheltered homelessness rather than putting an end to that criminalization. And I guess that's just what happens when you need to react to fascist policy within the constraints of time and white supremacist bureaucracy. With that in mind, has the council had time to read the notice that the ACLU sent this morning, and are you going to directly address their demands to postpone this vote until the council has held another public hearing with equity of access and -- and I don't believe Ms. Sand mentioned this part -- until the council has preserved and provided public records encompassing communications between public officials and key stakeholders regarding the proposal and regarding the public comment process? Because I remember what happened last week with the testimony. I was there. I want to see how the council is going to address these demands.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Let's try Frisco Renna.

Speaker: I asked a question --

Speaker: Hello. Can you hear me?

Speaker: Loud and clear, thank you.

Speaker: All right. I mean, this is kind of ridiculous, isn't it? It's, like, compassion with an iron fist. That's how you're going to do it, I'm going to hurt you. [laughter] That's your plan, dude. I think it's silly that you even think it'll work at all, like even on a logistical level. It's impassioned already, that's our issue with it, is that you expect people to believe in you when you plan to hurt them and use the police as the way to enforce that. But you don't even have the resources. Like, you can't even do it. Like, this is literally just to appease these rich people. That's what this is about. Everybody here knows this. It's really just to make them happy so when you get enough calls in the Pearl District about some freaking camp you don't like, you

can use the police against them. That's what this is really, really, really about. All the other stuff is just to pass by people so they'll believe in this or talk about it for a long time. And everybody here's getting that. I think that's what woke to some degree is, understanding how much of this political lip service is literally just this. You're not, you don't care. Your mind's half turned off half the time while people are talking. You're thinking your own little thoughts, like -- whatever's going on in there, dude. I don't know, but you're not here. And people are literally trying to tell you if you do this, you're going to cause so much pain and misery in this city by turning the police against the houseless, that I don't know what'll be left, dude. Who'll want to live here? Like, what, it'll just be a bunch of chaos and pain, dude, and like watching, you know, like, what, dude? You want people to believe in the services, you have to lead through example. All right? That's what this is about. Show them it's better. Make it better. Make it better, improve it. Don't just leave the houseless thing and be like, oh, yeah, we built that safe rest thing. Out we go. Go back there. Check it out, keep looking in on it. Really do something about this. That's what's going on here, and the police are not going to help you. Anyway, peace, dude. Figure it out.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up, a.j. McCrery.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Doesn't look like they've joined us. Let's go to Jason Bolt.

Speaker: Hey. Thanks for having me. All right. Well, you've heard a lot of powerful testimony today, and I feel privileged to have this opportunity to speak directly in front of all of you. I met some of you. My name is Jason Bolt, and I may be one of those evil people because I'm a founder and CEO of Reverent Optics. We're building the most sustainable vision company on the planet. We manufacture and sell

lenses to millions of customers on the central east side industrial district. More importantly, I've chosen to raise a family here, and I am the father of an 18-month-old daughter. I chose to be here because I want to communicate how serious the situation is from a safety perspective. First, some background. I founded my two companies out of my apartment in 2010 while attending the university of Oregon. Since moving to Portland seven years ago, we've been awarded the manufacturer of the year, been on the inc. List of fastest growing companies in the u.s. Four times in a row, and most recently was named the 2022 fastest growing e-commerce company in "newsweek" magazine. I only mention this to highlight that we are growing, creating jobs, investing in the community and doing very innovative and important work in the city, but we may not be here much longer. We're faced with major safety issues that are not proactively addressed or addressed at all. It's affecting our ability to operate as a business and, more importantly, the safety of my employees. We've had multiple burglaries, employees' cars vandalized over the last couple of years. We've had to walk down the middle of a busy street to get to work because our sidewalks are blocked by abandoned cars, trash, needles, tents and faces. There's a giant rv where illicit activities take place every day, and it's never addressed. We find it near impossible to recruit and retain. I want to be very clear because I was only given two minutes to tell you about four years of safety issues. It's gotten exponentially worse over the last year. If something is not done this month to address the real safety issues for my team, we will leave the area. And I'm not the only business. When we leave, there will be a cascading effect, and restaurants and bars will shut down, the community will collapse. We support mayor Wheeler's plan, a measured plan, but we need action faster to address the real safety issues. That's what I'm here to talk about. I really appreciate your time. This is urgent, and we need to address it.

Speaker: Thank you for being here, and thank you for testifying.

Speaker: Excuse me.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty.

Speaker: Hello, sir? Hi.

Speaker: [inaudible] that's fine.

Speaker: Thank you for being here. Specifically when you talk about safety issues, are you referring to the burglaries, the break-ins, people with mental health issues on the street?

Speaker: I need to be careful in my response here. I can tell you what I've experienced personally and what my employees have experienced. That's --

Speaker: If you can do it quickly --

Speaker: Yeah, yeah, sorry. I'll be quick. Okay, so safety issues are, right now our sidewalks are literally blocked. Walk down ash. Go down ash at 2nd and 3rd, and anywhere around our building you cannot use the sidewalks. There's a burned-out car, there's an rv that's a chop shop. Open air. We can't use the sidewalks. My employees come in, my manufacturing team, from out of town, they have to, they can't work remote. They have to walk down the middle of a busy street, safety issue.

Speaker: Okay. Can I stop you and ask a question about that?

Speaker: Yeah, go for it.

Speaker: So have you called the police about the illegal activities --

Speaker: I have a record after all the organizations that we've contacted, and it's this, this, this, right in we report it, they say we have a system for when we move rvs, tents, cars, whatever. Nothing ever happens.

Speaker: Have you ever called the police about the --

Speaker: Oh, yeah.

Speaker: And they say --

Speaker: No word, I mean --

Speaker: Nothing.

Speaker: They'll come check it out. [laughter] but the camp has been there for at least six months now, and you have to -- what's going on in these areas to take action.

Speaker: I love east Portland --

Speaker: I live in the southeast, yep.

Speaker: And I can assure you that, other parts of the city have been moved to my neighborhood, and the activity you're talking about is happening all over the city.

Speaker: I'm here, I want to represent my team, and I want to create jobs here. I moved here because of the entrepreneurial energy, the access to people that are willing to invest in the entrepreneur. I'm becoming one of those now, and I'm trying to build this community up. And it feels like I'm working against the leaders that are supposed to revitalize our city and keep it healthy. I'm just being honest with you.

Speaker: No, I appreciate you --

Speaker: Because we're stuck. We're stuck in this situation.

Speaker: No caught we're stuck and, again, nothing on the table today will address your issue 30 days from now.

Speaker: I know. It was an opportunity to speak with you about the very real and present issue that a -- and I'm, again, I can't promote organizations that are doing real work that is going to help solve the longer term issues that we face as a population and as a community, but I want to keep operating my business here. I want to provide jobs. I think that is the backbone. In many ways the services you're all working to provide, right? If we don't have that anymore, it's over --

Speaker: I don't disagree with you.

Speaker: Yeah. If we leave, it's a cascading effect, and that's on the doorstep right now. I can't emphasize you enough.

Speaker: Well, I appreciate you, and thank you so much.

Speaker: Before you run off, commissioner Mapps has a comment. I just want to briefly interject how much I appreciate you being here and how much I appreciate your company. You are a classic example of a home homespun business that's done phenomenally well. You employ a lot of people, you support a lot of people in this community, you in turn support nonprofits and service providers in this community, and I want you to stay here. Absolutely.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: And so, bobbi, can we make sure that we connect with Jason before he leaves, and let's see if we can address some of the other issues that he has informed us that have not been heretofore --

Speaker: [inaudible]

Speaker: Okay. You're coming in tomorrow.

Speaker: Absolutely. And let me be very clear here, this is not combative, this is collaborative. Like, I want the opportunity for all of us to be successful, and I feel like the divisiveness across the board in politics, business, just in humanity is a problem, and we need to work together. And that starts with real conversations, knowing your customer, and customers are different in different situations. So I'm happy to help in any way I can. Like, again, I love this community, I want us to thrive. I think it's the best city in the entire world. I've traveled a lot. You have amazing people, you have a grassroots group of people that wants this to succeed, but we need to work together, and right now we need to work together and it's disconnected.

Speaker: Hear you. Commissioner Mapps.

Speaker: Yeah. Jason, thanks for coming down today. I've toured your shop in the past --

Speaker: Yeah.

Speaker: I kind of live in the neighborhood. You're on my jogging route. And I can't remember if this is true or not, but do I remember that you had a fire outside or adjacent to your building in recent years?

Speaker: Yeah. We had a fire that was lit under the gas line going in to our building by an individual --

Speaker: Do you know the circumstances behind that or how that happened?

Speaker: I mean, we have a video of it. He just walks up and builds a pile of trash and lights it on fire under our gas line.

Speaker: That's very disturbing. I'm sorry to hear that.

Speaker: This is one example of probably fifty that I could give you if we had time. So it's a safety issue for me. And I realize that the people living in those situations also have safe safety issues, so the current situation works for no one, let me be really clear. This isn't, like, us versus them. I feel for everyone in the camps. That's not a way to live. We need to have better solutions. But we have to think about hierarchy, right? If we don't have safety, we can't be creative. We can't, like, you're locked in this mode where we can't build and create and cultivate creativity. Creativity spawns inspiration not just in business, and you have a base of that here that wants to plug in, we just don't know where.

Speaker: Thank you, mr. Bolt, and thanks for sticking with Portland.

Speaker: Yeah.

Speaker: Thank you for your support.

Speaker: Thank you. I'll see you tomorrow.

Speaker: Thank you. Look forward to it.

Speaker: Next up we have Chris I.

Speaker: Hello. Good afternoon, Commissioner Hardesty, Commissioner Rubio, Commissioner Mapps, Commissioner Ryan, Mayor Wheeler. I, I'd like to talk on something, but I couldn't quite do that, so I'm going to talk on what I have prepared. Up front, I want to share support for Hardesty's amendments, 1, 2, 3, 8, 10, also amendment 4. While I know that Hardesty's amendment 4 was not seconded, I want to state my support for the record, encourage you to include it in your discussion. I think until we decriminalize sleeping outside and include the people most impacted in the design, we cannot find a solution. Please continue to make space for and listen to the perspectives of the people with current and recent lived experience of living outside and of those who most closely support them. Action, not only words. I appreciate Commissioner Hardesty's understanding of both the importance of decriminalizing homelessness and how much actions in the city have an impact on the physical and mental health on those who are most marginalized. I think Hardesty's amendment 4 would have created a less punitive approach. The feedback should have been loud and clear. Please do not ignore it. I want to second the speaker's -- that 30 is a more tenable size. I appreciate Commissioner Hardesty's efforts at decreasing camp size. It is interesting that 20-30 is a common size that many people outside seem to self-select in forming prior to being displaced by the city because they get too large. I think the maximum size needs to be smaller than 250. I think that Hardesty's amendment 3 is important. I live with multiple invisible and physical disabilities, and I think the proposed language in the amendment is very important. I would like to ask that trauma-informed principles are being included in the development of these programs. I don't trust the city to be able to do this, but I still need to ask, and I think that Hardesty's amendment 4 to work with

community groups to create a plan for those who don't find their way in to those camps would have substantially helped to advance these. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have sidney poole followed by jamie arselay.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Hello again. I don't have a speech, I just have certain points I just want to make. When it comes to safety, I know safety is often a, it's often the topic when it comes to houselessness, and I just want to mention a statistic about the homicide rates. It's been, the city has a recorded 82 homicides so far, and the victims, is and 18% of this year's homicides have been people experiencing homelessness. I just want to say, like, whenever there's concern for safety, houseless people are experiencing it more. And it's not like they want this to happen. Like, I don't -- yeah. It's just, yeah. But next point, joanne hardesty's amendments, I think they're much more comprehensive, they're much more humane. I do wish that the vote would be postponed to be discussed further, and I wish, I wish there were also more houseless people -- I like that there are houseless people coming to talk and being involved, and I want that to be happening, and I want this to be more of a high, like, more of an extensive thing. And, let's see, sorry. When it comes to amendment 929, I've heard from other people that it should the probably be either amendment or taken out of the plan as it diverts resources from long-term, sustainable housing solutions, has not received adequate feedback from service providers and those who would be most impacted. Also lastly, so I just recently heard a few days ago about the laurel hurst park sweeps, and considering the context of what we've been discussing and how much people have been pouring their hearts into this, it does sort of feel like a slap in the face. And if we are -- if we were to extend, like, this discussion, I would prefer that we not sweep. I don't support sweeping, but I feel

like it's leaning more inappropriate that there are still sweeps being done while this discussion is happening, while we're discussing houselessness. Thank you for your time.

Speaker: I'm here today because, as I stated last week, houseless people are used as a scapegoat for crime. Any person can commit a crime. What makes a person bad is on the inside. It does not matter if they have a home or not. Three years ago, before I moved to Portland, I was raped by a police officer. That man had a home and a wealthy income. The person who raped me was not a houseless person. I'm not saying this today to gain sympathy. I don't want your sympathy. I want you to understand my point. There is no good reason for criminalizing houselessness. This plan is unconstitutional and inhumane and should not be put into action. Thank you.

Speaker: Next up, tawasi tawasi.

Speaker: Hello there, distinguished gentlemen, gentlewomen. I'd like to say hello to all the people watching around the city and potentially around the world. I would like to acknowledge, first off, that the city of Portland was never ceded by the chinook people, and this is occupied territory. And what my predecessor said about the colonizers having horrible plans and horrible ideas is right on point, and I appreciate dmitri for saying that. Because it comes across as a for-profit system being used to levy punitive psychiatry, forced labor and internment camp for some people. Now, I didn't really mean to say that, it's just coming right to my heart. What I meant to say is eleanor roosevelt who was a very good first lady helped craft the universal declaration of human rights. The amendments that you all are considering imposing on the city of Portland violate the universal declaration of human rights. You're creating legal exposure for the jurisdiction by your behaviors. So -- so, obviously, that doesn't matter to you because you've taken the payola from

the real estate moguls already. But it doesn't diminish these articles from the universal declaration of human rights which you are violating. Article ix, no one shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest or exile. It's exactly what the Wheeler family has done for hundreds of years. It's disgusting. Article xx, subsection one, everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association. Subsection two, no one may be compelled to belong to an association. Setting up forced internment camps is compelling people to be in association. You cannot force people to associate. And it's exactly what colonizers have done from the dawn of time. You came and stole our land, you force us into with associations that give you the power to further deprive us of our rights.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have annette johnson.

Speaker: Welcome, annette.

Speaker: Hi. I'm annette johnson, and I'm a -- [inaudible] trying to make a living. And I just want to say a couple of things about the plan to put people into the concentration camps. One is last week the mayor put this might work, right? He emphasized that word, "might," and might not. So basically I came home and I thought about what should I say, and I always want to participate and help people. I've got, like, five people right here sitting next to me that have been homeless for years. And they don't have nowhere to go tonight. And the most important thing that I think we should do is postpone this. Because a lot of people that are, that I've interviewed as a mojo writer is they're ready to fight. They said hey don't got nowhere to stay, they already got food stamps, so they're not all worried about a concentration camp to eat. They get 250 of money every month for the food stamps, right? So they're good with the food. They don't have a warm place to use the bathroom first thing in the morning. They learn to make do for over 15 years,

these people have been homeless. And struggling with addiction and mental illness and the whole nine yards, right? And I was there too, right? So I have to pat myself on the back. I'm a success story in itself. And I'm proud of myself, because I do have a place to stay for me and my dog. Furthermore, if you put 500 people or 200 people together, out of that 200, 175, dope fiends, okay? They're drug addicts. That's not their fault. They're just there. So you're to going to bring 175 drug addicts to a campground, and that whole area is going to be submerged with addiction and all that other stuff, you know, the drugs, institutions and death, right? This whole proposal is crazy. I hate to say it that way. Put this thing off, rethink it, and then if christine drazen gets in office, she might overturn it all. It's too fast. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up, dan ossner.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: My name is don. Thank you all for creating this meeting. And I read your entire thing, joanne hardesty. I was never more impressed. I didn't come here with a plan. I like to be prepared. However, I've been listening to a lot of really good stuff. I'm just going to give a really quick testimony. I was homeless a few weeks ago, and I've been homeless for the last seven months. I've been a recovering alcoholic for some time. At one time I did have 12 years sobriety, and I used to be an addiction counselor. I have an associate's degree in criminal justice. I do understand politics and government to a degree, and I appreciate it. I don't appreciate creating a law. I remember when we made marijuana legal because it actually cut the cost of jails. [laughter] we don't put people in jail for marijuana anymore because, you know, that just seems logical. They're going to do it anyway. And now we've decriminalized drugs, which is -- I understand there's a measure on that one. However, decriminalizing drugs also relieved the judicial system of

housing people that are struggling with addiction. Which seemed logical. It's gone off the charts because people think it's all good now. I don't use any ivs, I don't use any of that stuff. I still am a recovering alcoholic. I remember in Seattle there was a process in which they create, they took a hotel and they turned it into wethouse which is a system where you take the somebody off the street, so wet brain. You give them a place. And once they have stability, you get them a mentor, somebody who'll visit them and talk about the value of this new life, of what they might be ambitious about doing. Once you create that and you lift them up, you don't talk about the negatives. All the negatives drip off you when you do that. So we need to create a system. My best friend says housing first. If we create housing first, the rest of it we can work with. We need a mentor system where people can appreciate their new house, their new place. I have just gotten into a place. As minimal as it is, I'm happy. I'm not on the streets, I'm sober, I'm in a program, and I'm going to do it. I'm a success. Last year I had housing -- I'm going to try and be quick. I did it for eight months. I was on the short list for low income housing. I got a killer job, I made a lot of money. And after eight months they said I made too much money for low income housing. I was just marginally over that. And I was on fair trade housing, just all of it. And I was not qualified. That is unfortunate. Our systems are not working. I've been to 18 treatment programs. I had 12 years sobriety, and I used to be an addictions counselor. I could go on and on and on. But I think housing first. Once we get them in there, then we can talk to them and find out what direction to do. Client-centered programs. More people --

Speaker: Excuse me, sir.

Speaker: I know I'm over.

Speaker: You're a minute and a half over --

Speaker: I'm sorry.

Speaker: That's okay.

Speaker: I'm not reading properly.

Speaker: Sir, I just want to say congratulations for getting into housing.

Congratulations for being in treatment. Congratulations for getting your life back on track. And I want that for everyone whose life has fell off track. So thank you so much for being here, appreciate it.

Speaker: Thank you, sir. Appreciate it.

Speaker: Next up we have colt seidman.

Speaker: Hi. My name is colt seidman, and I am houseless. I currently live at the corner of gundy village which is a safe rest village shelter. Right now I've been on the shelter on and off. I got housing on my own when allgood northwest took over our village from c3po which was quite traumatic for a lot of the people that have been here for a really long time, and it's been hard to see my peers struggle in this way. But what I really want to communicate the best way that I can to you today is that being houseless is really traumatic. It is draining on a lot of people's mental health. In many different ways. I personally have seen myself and my peers' mental health drastically go down in the very short time that I've known them, less than a year. And it's -- I try to help out mutual aid when our nonprofit has not been serving our needs. And that is a huge factor in my mental health getting really bad. I'm working with three different mental health providers just to get through, just to live my life, just to be a successful human being in society. And people do not deserve to go through this. We need better mental health support. We need housing that is friendly to people, that is disability-friendly. This is not cutting it. We really need to have, actually, more affordable housing to support everyone, and we deserve better. I care for my community a lot, so thank you for your time.

Speaker: Thank you for being here. We appreciate it. Commissioner Hardesty had a question.

Speaker: Thank you. Colt? Excuse me, Colt?

Speaker: Yeah, sorry.

Speaker: No worry. I'm curious, you said that the transition from the C3PO camp to the current management has been traumatic. Could you say more about that, please?

Speaker: Yeah, sure. So I came in, like, right after the new folks took, that Allgood Northwest took over. Before it was C3PO, and it was a different experience, you know? Right? The process right now, staff is the one that has to approve anyone that moves in here, but it was not originally like this before. For the queer village, it was villages that had more, like, communication, and it was more consent-focused, and it was, like, people would have meetings about if there was problems, let's talk it out. Yeah, but it's not like that anymore. And that's -- I feel like they, doing that took away a big community thing for my peers, and it really sucks. It was really hard. The changes were hard. Allgood has made some mistakes that have really affected people, myself, and trauma competency has been a huge thing from the almost year they've been here on and off. And it's just, like, it's getting a little bit better right now, but trauma-competent staff is super important for people's well-being. And, like, it's vital for mental health, it's vital for us to survive, it's vital for us to thrive. Like, not just survive in life and in this town. So --

Speaker: Yeah, I appreciate you. Thank you, Colt. I appreciate that. And I think you're absolutely right. In fact, the villages that we create at the beginning were villages that were self-managed. And one of the people in the village or more were paid a, you know, not a lot of money, but paid to actually manage the process. And it was very, it was under -- the leadership was really about making sure that the

villagers that were in that particular camp actually set the policies for how they would operate. Very much like right to dream two, so we have successful models that have worked for us for well over 20 some years. And let me just say I'm sorry that the transition did not go as smoothly as I would have liked it to go. And hopefully, we will actually embrace models that we know work as a compared to creating models that we don't know or have any faith will work. Thank you.

Appreciate you testifying, colt.

Speaker: No problem, thank you.

Speaker: Next up, jordan lewis.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Go ahead, jordan. You're muted.

Speaker: Good evening commissioners hardesty, Rubio, Mapps, Ryan and mayor Wheeler. I testified last week in opposition. I welcome any housing-first

policy, but I'm appalled by the proposal to criminalize homelessness. We have no idea what these camps will be like once constructed, if they are constructed.

Anyone who chooses to exercise their human right to freedom of movement and residence are risk being fined. And if they can't pay the fine, incarcerated into a violent and abusive prison system. I appreciate commissioner hardesty's valuable attempts at harm reduction through amendments 4, 5 and 6, but I want to make it clear that her amendments are just that, a compromise. The fact that no one on City Council even seconded her proposals after last week's testimony counted over 100 names and less than 50 -- really upsets me. I want to bring attention to the fact that last week commissioner Ryan had testimony in favor of 901 expedited before people who had signed up, gotten in line first. If I'm going to be honest, this entire process has felt undemocratic, and I have not felt heard. And I have a roof over my head. Imagine how it must have felt to not have a home and to to have a realtor

skip ahead of you in line. Frankly, it would be crushing. I urge you to adopt Hardesty's amendments, all of them, but especially amendment 4. Hardesty inspires me how she constantly speaks out against moneyed interests in this city. If I were in charge, I would not be proposing a camping ban period, however, I understand as a society we have to make compromises sometimes. I want to see that these amendments are the compromise. History will remember your names. I'm begging you to make the right choice. Thank you, good night.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up, vince masiello.

Speaker: Welcome.

Speaker: Hello, I'm a member of the right to dream too community village and street vendor as well. I'm here today because I wish to implore you to consider commissioner Hardesty's fourth amendment, that is develop a plan to limit unsanctioned encampments in consultation with experienced partners to assist the city's homeless population and meet the city's legal requirements. Everyone here knows it's your responsibility if you pass this resolution that you're pinning the success of a citywide ban on the availability of shelter and housing space. If you plan on enacting the ban in 18 months, then you are committing to housing and shelter all 700 individual known campsites, according to last year's point in time count, or about 6,000 folks. To fulfill this promise, it cannot take two years or waiting for funding to open new sites. Agree with commissioner Hardesty's amendment that you consult with experienced community partners. There are a lot of organizations that have spent years working with and establishing trust with people in the houseless community. The community deserves to be able to voice concerns and be a part of the decisions that affect them. We need a coalition of voices throughout the city to help gather input, spread awareness, outreach to the

individual campsites and help with the decisions involved in the creation of the camps and oversight while they open and operate. The opening of large encampments will be complicated and face many obstacles. I highly recommend you get feedback from the active villages throughout the city. Their experience will be essential in helping avoid pitfalls and recurring mistakes. We are a commitment of 20 members, and we open up to over 40 unsheltered folks every night. We operate in a small space about a fraction of the size of a parking lot, yet we provide food, clothing from our neighbors in the district. I believe if we work with our neighborhood associations, we could find a small space that could shelter dozens of people and provide access to hygiene needs. Instead of moving people out of their neighborhoods, we could have more options throughout the city and villages that offer temporary assistance. The process can begin anytime, and if we recall how fast the c3po villages opened, I think we can do them alongside, and maybe we can make a big difference in the proposed timeline. Thank you very much.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have molly hogan followed by maria romero and donna cohen.

Speaker: Welcome, molly.

Speaker: Hello, mayor, commissioners. Thank you for the opportunity to speak. My name is molly hogan, and I'm the director of the welcome home coalition. 75 organizations united to envision a future of housing options that meet the real needs of people in our region are. I want to express support for both commissioner Rubio and commissioner hardesty's amendments to item 927. To scale up housing production that includes the desperately needed, deeply affordable units, we must act with innovation, and all sectors must chip in. To that end, Rubio's amendment to involve all different city bureaus, properties in the creation of affordable housing

is a good one. The responsibility of this crisis must be shared. Hardesty's amendment to explore the use of underutilized buildings for housing quickly is a welcomed bold and action-oriented addition to this resolution. Last week I testified before you all on item 929 and urged the city to not enact the inhumane and resource-wasteful mass camps and camping ban proposal. Today I express support of commissioner hardesty's amendments that require the city to work closely with community partners including those with lived experience and reducing the size of such proposed camping areas. While this is a step in a better direction, we still ask that the city remove the camping ban and mass camps completely from this proposal and move away from policies that criminalize homelessness and diverts funds away from sustainable long-term solutions. Just last week the united states interagency council on homelessness released a report asking jurisdictions to stop turning to camping bans to address homelessness. The national agency called these policies ineffective, expensive and actually worsening the tragedy of homelessness. Studies show that enforcing anti-homeless laws cost three times the amount of simply paying to house people. You also heard from the experts themselves at Tuesday's town hall with people who are experiencing homelessness in Portland right now. Please listen to them and honor their expertise on this issue. Please instead continue to invest in proven sustainable solutions; rent assistance, converting motels and other buildings, master leasing, tiny home affinity villages, support services and, of course, increasing public investment in affordable housing. Remember, housing is the answer to homelessness. Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have mara romero.

Speaker: Hello, and thank you to the mayor and commissioners. My name is mara romero, and I serve the community as a independent living specialist and a housing advocate for an organization called independent living resources. If you don't know

what we do or if you've never heard of us, we exist as a network of over 400 centers for independent living across the united states. We were originally created as part of the effort to deinstitutionalize folks with significant mental health issues and intellectual and developmental disability. Obviously, we wish we would have worked ourselves out of a job by now, but we have not. And the effort to institutionalize the disabled community continues. Whether that's in the criminal justice system, in mass encampments or otherwise. So I'm here to speak to and support hardesty amendment 3 under 929. The fact that that's the only mention of disability is shameful. I'm going to use that word. Especially if over 60% of the houseless population in Portland identifies having disabilities, and hud recently released a report that a said over 40% of people houseless nationwide have disabilities. This is a disability rights issue. And so I would caution you about moving forward and creating these large shelters when, to be honest with you, already the reports that we're getting from folks for the last 30 years have been that our shelters are not accessible to people with disabilities. And, again, dignity can be expensive, of course. Of course. But that doesn't mean that we shouldn't do it. And giving somebody dignity goes such a long way. Please consider people with disabilities both our legal and ethical responsibility to our community. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have donna cohen.

Speaker: Good afternoon, council. My name is donna cohen. I live in st. Johns. I find many elements in the resolutions to be positive, especially 927, increasing housing capacity. I hope you have a chance to look at the work of brett colburn out of the university of Washington. He recently wrote a book called "homelessness is a housing problem," and he showed that the main factor, the significant factor that determines whether a geographic area has more homelessness is the housing

supply. It overrides all the other factors we hear people talk about so much. Please check that out. So in resolution 927, I support Rubio amendment 1 to continue collaborative property acquisition permanently. Hardesty amendment 1 concerning eminent domain especially for properties that are deliberately kept empty and in some cases derelict. And I was pleased to hear somebody mention today about the kicker. Nothing would make me happier than if we took all of the kicker money and put it to housing. And as mayor Wheeler pointed out the other day, this is necessary in part because the federal government has been very lax in housing funding for the last 30 or 40 years now. Resolution 929, the plan for the large encampments, even if they divide into quadrants or if they're 250 or 150, to me, this is appalling. That's not a word I use very much. I hear housing advocates and government officials talk about trauma-informed assistance to the houseless, and to me this is the opposite of trauma-informed assistance. So it seems to me the only thing that's such a plan says to me the city wants homeless folks to be out of sight. And if, as the saying goes, out of sight means out of mind, and I'm disturbed at the vision of what such an encampment would dissolve into. I'm almost finished, if I could have just a few more moments. Perhaps we could use the threat of large encampments to make the neighborhoods more open to safe rest villages, or perhaps we can incentivize our 95 neighborhoods to work with the city to plan one or two 20-40 person tents, rv/car or pod villages in each neighborhood. And lastly, I think hardesty amendment 8, that locations be spread throughout the city, is important. And amendment 4, working with community partners to limit the self-sited, unsanctioned encampments once sufficient capacity exists, and that's the key. Banning camping of those not committing crimes when there are no reasonable alternatives is not just. Thank you very much.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Next up we have nicole pater followed by eudora lively and ian alexander.

Speaker: Welcome back.

Speaker: Nicole pater? Eudora lively?

Speaker: Hello. I'm eudora lively. And, first of all, I want to say that joe walsh would be outraged at some of these amendments and have the streets filled with every houseless individual protesting and outraged. I'm going to make this short and sweet. Secondly, the crisis of homelessness will never be solved if ppd continues targeting houseless individuals, sweeping them, taking their homes and everything they own, throwing them in jail so they accumulate fines they cannot afford which in turn sets them back to square one and leaves them in a very distraught, depressed state of not wanting to build or create anything from scratch just to repeat the cycle. So they make the choice of simply remaining houseless. The last thing I want to say is where is all the money? Since before covid, there has been billions of dollars given solely to help the houseless communities and have numbers decline but that number climbing day by day. I say, again, where the money? And why council asking for more money and continually lying to public about houseless communities being rehoused? Also, I would like to say, our ask this question. On your agenda, every other agenda item has the bureau underneath it. These did not have not one bureau underneath it. Why is that? What bureau as I speaking today?

Speaker: Out of the mayor's office, as well as commissioner Ryan's office.

Speaker: Almost every pure row in the city. First responder, parks bureau.

Speaker: Even so, every agenda item had it listed.

Speaker: Thank you for your testimony.

Speaker: You're so expletive welcome.

Speaker: Next up we have anne alexander.

Speaker: Hello. My name ian. I do not support measure 1129 I'm an out reach worker in Portland community hubs, self rest villages and camps and very worked as a president shall advocate, shelter supervisor and navigation team, which is a program facilitated by the city of Portland impact reduction program. It has made it clear and states they mean to reduce the number of homelessness and not to reduce the impact on homeless people themselves the interest only interested this benefitting Portland businesses and failing to recognize affects on homeless people themselves. As a community I fear the has camping sites remote a set of infectious diseases. And hep c devastating our homeless communities and currently kills more people in the u.s. Than almost any other infectious disease. And we can expect to see the rise and more people sharing drug use and being exposed to body fluids than in dispersed communities that we have. Our houseless community deserve to live in spaces. Alternative is a safe house model houses a more manageable number of people per site and Multnomah model and in both of these the ban of camping should not be a driving force or side affect of the decision made. I urge to you postpone making this decision today.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: That completes the em.

Speaker: Thank you, everybody who testified today. Thank you for thoughtfulness. And at this point, I will --.

Speaker: Excuse my, mayor?

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty.

Speaker: I'm curious whose names Keelan called earlier may have shown up. Do you have a list of people that, we had about fef to seven names.

Speaker: We've been watching in zoom and haven't had anyone else show up. As far as people arriving in person, if your name was on the list and I didn't call you, please, raise your hand so we can hear from you. I think we're good.

Speaker: Thank you. Keelan and mayor. I just wanted to make sure no one missed their opportunity.

Speaker: Thank you. Keelan, thank you for orchestrating public testimony. I know it's difficult to do when we're hybrid and per usual you did a brilliant job. Thank you. Colleagues at this point I will invite an opportunity for further discussion or we can get into each of the amendments but I want to have that opportunity if there is a need for discussion at this point.

Speaker: Mayor. I did have one question about our conversation with our legislative agenda and I realized that you've put a legislative item on there with the mayor association. Right? Asking for a specific amount of money from the next legislative body?

Speaker: Yes. And to be clear that not Portland City Council that the Oregon mayor association agenda so I'm part of a separate body made up of exclusively of mayors around the state and that is our collective agenda it our agenda not the city of Portland's.

Speaker: I wanted to make that clear.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Mr. Mapps.

Speaker: I just wanted to check in and see what point should we reach out to commissioner Rubio's office?

Speaker: Fair question. Does she want to be available for amendments or just the final vote.

Speaker: Oh, I'm here.

Speaker: Oh. Good.

Speaker: I'm on the phone in my car.

Speaker: You get a hero award. I'll ask you first. Just because you're in a challenging situation. I'd allow further follow up before we get to the amendments? I wanted to let this space here of people.

Speaker: I have had my questions answered, thank you.

Speaker: We'll go into amendments and when we're done we'll go to the resolutions as amended. Just to be clear. So I'm not perfect. First up Rubio number one, Rubio amendment is about the housing bureau working collaboratively with other city bureaus relating to property acquisitions and other items is there any further discussion? Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Adopted. Next is Rubio two. This is the amendment that increases the number of sites to six but the crisis the number in each to 250. Is there hi further discussion on this item? Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: I will say this. I first of all appreciate commissioner Rubio putting this forward and understand intentions behind it. I'm going to vote against it. The principle here is we'd like to main a lot of people did say 500 number is of concern I to be clear that what the under lying resolutions do and what the public record is indicated is that we'd start small with 100 to 125 people and in terms of connection to services, and in terms of our ability to fund and then, only then would we expand with council approval, to be able to get to the larger sites had we proven the model successful. I will vote no on this amendment but I understand where it comes from and appreciate the sentiment of commissioner Rubio and her willingness to be collaborative. The amendment does pass next amendment is commissioner hardesty. Item one. This the be it purger resolved with regard to the city attorney looking at the issue of eminent domain. Is there further discussion?

Speaker: Yes. I have a couple clarifying questions. Commissioner hardesty, do you know, or how do you want to receive this memo? Do you imagine council receiving this as executive session? Part of the public record?

Speaker: That something the city attorney will probably advise us on. I think it would be better to do in open counsel chambers. So a work session may be appropriate around eminent domain and how we can use that to house people quicker.

Speaker: Okay. Let me ask you this. Have you considered possibility the city attorney may provide with you an interpretation of the law which inconsistent with where you want to go in terms of public policy? I think the first blush, first time we see this memo might behoove the interests of the tiff Portland and people of Portland to have that in executive session or covered by current privilege.

Speaker: I did not put details about how that would be given back except to say that it would be by February. I think it's posh to know that is the one super power the city has is power of eminent domain. It can go from seizing property to holding for a period of years right? So and I suspect the city will come back with a host of options.

Speaker: I agree. It's important council gets the city attorney perspective on what the legal landscape looks like for eminent domain and affordable housing. And last question, I don't understand why this needs to be getting under code. And the land and affordable house something.

Speaker: I had I had an opportunity to weigh ahead of time we may talked about how that could have happened. My goal is to make what in front of us better than it was. I are only had two weeks to be engaged in the conversation so that is a is the only super power that we are. If we're planning to expedite housing that should be at the top of the list. Since mayor's proposal says 18 months after we've identified funding then, to me it makes sense to know in how to put people in housing now?

Speaker: I agree we need to talk to the city attorney about eminent domain and affordable housing. I'm not sure this is the appropriate vehicle for what. I suggest a compromise is that now we ask the city attorney to send a memo explaining the law concerning eminent domain and housing by February 28th.

Speaker: We have an attorney this the room. If I were to ask you for that is that city the something attorney could deliver?

Speaker: In a word, yes.

Speaker: Okay.

Speaker: Colleagues, I'm going to send affordable housing and I believe this satisfied intent which means I will be voting no today.

Speaker: That is fine, however does not answer questions I want answered and I appreciate your recommendation, but I don't accept that, thank you.

Speaker: Very good. Any further discussion on this amendment? Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Hardesty? Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: I'm going to vote no. I would not -- first any of us are ability now to talk to our legal council and ask our legal counsel for whatever advice we'd like. You can ask that and you can direct them to do that. I want to be clear, I support eminent domain as an important right and how very important and a sensitive issue. Anything we to, I hope it is done with attorney-client privilege of I vote no. Amendment fails.

Speaker: 928. Be it further resolved the City Council will convene packs first.

Speaker: Any further discussion?

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps?

Speaker: Mr. Mayor, commissioners. I still, this amendment has been amended today. Can we read the amendment now? As it stands?

Speaker: Amendment reads touring the development of this policy, there shall be a convening of groups of community experts and replace the language, the city shall convene a group of community experts. The reason I replaced it was because in the original resolution it unclear who the convener is. I did not want to limit convening from taking place and if the city not going to be the convener. If it had more than two weeks we'd are come up with a better policy.

Speaker: Thank you and I agree with your insight here, your fix, I think muddies waters some. Original amendment says the city will convene a group of community experts and I believe work systems which will be running the ram should be the group pulls together this board and I think the fix doesn't define at all who is responsible so unless we can clarify that, I'm going to vote no.

Speaker: Let me be very clear. Work systems inc, unions and city of Portland have absolutely no expertise when it comes to how, getting unhoused people employment. We are many community experts. I look at a resolution and I see that government going to lead to get houseless people housed and only people mentions is the city, prosper and housing, sorry. Work systems inc. None of them have any credibility when it comes to getting employment. I think it will be insane to have unions and prosper, bet together and talk about how they're going to help houseless people get employment them. Have no, they don't have a base. So what I want to make sure they talk to community experts like there is a host. About this amendment is not there we're leaving it to people that don't interact with houseless people to develop a employment program for people, today are houseless based on some program they saw in california. And that didn't make sense to me.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty, a brief with you. The problem with your amendment is that it doesn't define who is responsible for organizing that committee.

Speaker: It did in the original resolution.

Speaker: The original says that the city will convene. So the city convenes this group.

Speaker: Who would the city be? You?

Speaker: The mayor's office, I suspect when I read this language.

Speaker: I don't know mayor, who is it going to be?

Speaker: I want to be clear this is already being done as part of the scope of the work. I don't think the amendment changes that. I want to be clear. The city is not in charge of the study that is being done. Staff not involved they've presented the resolution to us and they're working in partnership with the city of Portland, Washington County, Multnomah County, city of Gresham and they did, in fact this fall, work systems as well as team from other labs and beyond jobs convened as are of meetings with a number of stakeholders included service oriented than profits and including employment organizations so that work is being done and my personal preference is that they should be the ones to do it. We couldn't like the way they're doing it I encourage us to work with our work systems office here in have them do what we need them to do. They're our partners to get resources to do this kind of work.

Speaker: This is.

Speaker: Please call roll.

Speaker: The amendment doesn't define who holds together this group. It's important to have this group. We should define who is responsible for convening that table. The original amendment said the city should have convened this table. That is a bad idea I would have voted against this and if Commissioner Hardesty were

open to having a work stable, but that not before us now. And the amendment before us right now I feel poorly crafted and up implementable and I vote no.

Speaker: Rubio? Commissioner Rubio?

Speaker: Thank you. I am here. So I pressure, commissioner Hardesty that you're responsive to my concerns around this amendment and I do think it's very important to ensure that and glad to hear work systems is working the table but I don't think it hurt to lift up this work and supporting it in spirit, for this reason, I vote aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: No. Amendment fails. Next amendment Hardesty number three. This is a whereas and it wets to the question of disabilities and ensuring that large scale campsites have sufficient facilities to address various needs. Any further discussion on this item?

Speaker: Mr. Mayor?

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps?

Speaker: I believe all of our camps set up by federal law, have to be compliant with Americans disabilities act. Are you trying to provide disability attacks beyond ada? If you are, beyond the ada which I might frankly support what are they? We need to articulate and to we're in the trying to do anything beyond what the ada requires us to do, I don't see the utility of this particular amendment.

Speaker: I will tell you that over 60% of people currently houseless have a whole host of health issues, disability issues that had you must be addressed they're

trying to put 500 people into an outdoor camp without ability to use their mobility
tee vices and address needs they have. I did not see anything, anywhere. I can tell
you our shelters do a poor job of addressing people with disabilities. If you've been
to one of our congregate shelters you'll know we fail miserably in providing people
with disability those needs. There is no way I was going to vote in favor of
something allowing 500 people to be had in a camp without addressing disability
needs of those individuals and I awe nothing any resolutions that addressed the act
we'd to a type of assessment whether it's same-sex or whether there medical
health issues very been in shelters were people were distressed but guess what?
Professionals went home at 5:00. Community volunteers were there. We are to
develop it with needs of the people who will be had the camp in mind owe that
mentioned people with disabilities have different needs. You've heard me say we're
just temporarily abled. About we're not building shelters with expectation that
we're going to address physical abilities or disabilities then what are we doing?

Speaker: Can I ask for clarification here. So I still don't understand if the point to
under line the fact the city of Portland needs to comply with the ada or trying to
expand the definition of ada. And clarification you gave, like talked about
wheelchairs which okay, that sounds like ada to me. You talked about people with
pets striking me as not --.

Speaker: In the ada.

Speaker: We are blind folks, people using walkers, people using wheelchairs. I
mean we have people that need wheelchairs but don't have access to wheelchairs
but they're had our camps so what part are you not understand something.

Speaker: Just trying to figure out Americans needs to comply with ada as he we
stand up these camps or if have you an expectation that it is beyond that?

Speaker: I'm expecting to us address disability needs of campers if we're putting them in camps that we're making sure. Someone testified about a sweep happening and left the guy in a wheelchair by himself. I cannot support that kind of action. That we're addressing what needs are. I don't want to warehouse people. I want to make sure we're making sure people can thrive where they are.

Speaker: This is a good discussion. We did hear a number of disability advocates and folks who have level described disabilities as part of the public testimony here and all of us agree we want this to be managed with the disability community in mind. Do we agree on that? Here is a question I've when you read language of what you've proposed, it created some concern on my part. It uses the word we must ensure there are sufficient abilities my question if the county or state if they're in the adequate to everybody in the camp does that mean we're not going to create the facility? Had you a ensure, what do you mean? Make a good faith effort? Comply with the ada requirements? Or say we're not going to do it?

Speaker: I want to be clear. I am never promised we'll be able to deliver all of this services to everybody who on the street. Everybody acknowledges a need of having 800 encampments we're creating service delivery notes where we have a fighting chance of connecting people to services and I felt we've led a fire up to people who fundamental health and substance abuse generally to be able to begin process of being able to deliver. I want to make sure this not restrictive in terms of your intention. To start this process.

Speaker: I appreciate that question. So. I have a couple answers to that. On July 11th there is an article about the newest homeless village that not ada accessible. This the Multnomah safe rest village. So I want to make sure, I'm in the adding benefits or taking away benefits. Resolutions are aspirational. And I aspire to make

sure that people with disabilities have their needs met in any camps we put together.

Speaker: Can we say that? Can we say we collectively aspire to have the needs of people with a variety of disabilities have needs met?

Speaker: Is none have a time line.

Speaker: Right. My concern is the year, the phrasing. And must ensure that my question. Are you saying that all of the self identified which another sort of vague term disabilities are met? I don't know them.

Speaker: What language are you propose something.

Speaker: The one you just said that is a counsel we're committed to and aspiring towards making sure we can connect to services we have.

Speaker: Where he. I help that as friendly amendment, mayor.

Speaker: I didn't write it down. Main someone else did.

Speaker: Can we get legal counsel to suggest a legal-sounding way of putting in better evening relish what I believe was an interpretation of what commissioner hardesty is trying to convey?

Speaker: Yes. So.

Speaker: Let's see. Next up hardesty number seven. This after establishment of establish camps the city may consider creating a camp for small or multiple camps are proved on a single large city controlled property. Any further discussion?

Speaker: Mr. Mayor. I need clarification. I don't know if commissioner hardesty can do this or if we can have to go to staff to do this. This is supposed to amendment original proposal we've kind of adopted commissioner Rubio's amount two which shifts layout and size and scope of what these camps look like and once I don't understand how commissioner hardesty's amendment seven intersects with

commissioner Rubio's amendment two? Can someone articulate? Should we approve this amendment?

Speaker: Was that a question?

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Sure.

Speaker: Commissioner Hardesty, how does this amendment, what are we doing?

Speaker: Which are you talking about?

Speaker: Hardesty. Seven. After the establishment.

Speaker: So remember, originally you're reacting to the amendments we have had last week but we've amended the amendments from last week so I feel like this is frankly too muddy. Work out today.

Speaker: If you had questions you know where my office is and I have an e-mail. It's unfortunate you wait until the vote before you have a lot of questions about these amendments. The only office that put my amendments public and sent them to everybody as soon as I had them on Monday. We're now Thursday evening and now you have 100 questions about what I think are very simple and clear amendments.

Speaker: If it's clear, how does this, can you explain to me and people of Portland how, after since we've adopted Rubio, too, and to adopt Hardesty seven what do these camps look like?

Speaker: So, what it looks like and amendment seven, I believe, establishing the guidance about how we would build upon whether it's 200, 300, 100 people camps?

Speaker: I'm in the seeing his conflict with commissioner Rubio's?

Speaker: I'm going to vote no on this because I don't understand and I recognize it's difficult. We've amended amendments and have different amendments which weren't drafted in conjunction coming together now. I'm in the sure this fits

together, frankly at this point. And because I suspect it doesn't fit together and because I haven't heard a clear explanation of how these fit together I'm going to vote no.

Speaker: I want to be clear this is about making sure encampments we put together will work. And I read the e-mail that commissioner Ryan had said when he first came on board because of the concern about having these very large camps. And so this would stipulate how camps would be, how these outdoor shelters would be supported. And ran. So again.

Speaker: It's fine. Going to vote no that fine.

Speaker: Just point out this, was written to amount language we've amended.

Speaker: You're right. You're right. You're right.

Speaker: This was my amendment was them before the mayor's or another took place. So you were right. This one time, you're right.

Speaker: I'll take it.

Speaker: Any discussion?

Speaker: This one may be unnecessary due to changes made earlier if we had more time we won't be rushing these through. And I want to keep objecting to the fact that I feel rushed and to this process. So, I will withdraw hardesty amendment seven.

Speaker: Without objection, withdrawn. Hardesty number eight this is establishing three sites that must be diversely spread across the city that will serve as so cal correctly. Yes. If you're to look at the definition of diversely spread, I think the specific the way I interpret that phrase and is if you look this up, I think the way that it written what it directing to us do is set up camps in different kinds of neighborhood so maybe that is a if idea. I don't know. That not what you intended

but I wasn't going to bother you with it. As long as we're having the discussion, what your intent here?

Speaker: Make sure that we don't put camps in poor people neighborhoods. To be quite blunt. I want to make sure that the, these camps are shared by all Portlanders and not just low income communities. Because I suspect that would be where they would go without requiring geographic representation.

Speaker: Thank you for the clarification.

Speaker: Great. Any further discussions on this --.

Speaker: I want to make sure if you have question s I know it's harder when you're remote. Did you have questions on this?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Good.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Amendment passes.

Speaker: Can we do disability one?

Speaker: On clear, we're talking about hardesty number three.

Speaker: Is your mic on?

Speaker: It is. Can you hear me?

Speaker: Okay. Maybe closer. My suggestion is the language whereas the city is committed to servicing needs of disabilities, stated is that adequate?

Speaker: Can you say that again?

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Whereas the city is committed to serving the needs of unhoused individuals with disabilities and campsites.

Speaker: That convinced the city to making sure services are there.

Speaker: Do you read that's a requirement or aspiration?

Speaker: Is committed to is an aspiration.

Speaker: Is an aspiration. And are you willing to accept that on the record definition being that is committed to is aspirational?

Speaker: I will.

Speaker: Then I second that any further discussion? Can you withdraw the prior hardesty three?

Speaker: I withdraw previous hardesty three.

Speaker: Withdrawn without objection. I think we need to vote.

Speaker: The reason I wanted her to withdraw so I can slot this in as new hardesty three.

Speaker: I just wanted for the record, commissioner hardesty referenced an article about the handicapped access at Multnomah village. We did look into and there were ramps, there are ramps and accommodations are normal and we've made adjustments to those ramps so there misinformation.

Speaker: I'm happy to hear adjustments were made.

Speaker: Absolutely. And they were already there. So. Thanks.

Speaker: Very good. So. I have seconded commissioner Hardesty's new amount. There further discussion on amendment three?

Speaker: Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?

Speaker: Um. I appreciate the mayor and commissioner working together to find a compromise that they find mutually satisfying. I'm in the sure I find it entirely satisfying. We had talk here which I found confusing and I don't think ADA is optional. And I don't make aspirational public policy. I'm here to make public policy. But I also recognize and respect and celebrate colleagues working together and so I will take a leap of faith and trust good works of colleagues and vote aye on this.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: I appreciate the discussion with my colleagues and I also want to just say more than anything, it's telling any important demographic they're seeing and recognize in terms of the services they need. For that reason, I vote aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: I appreciate the discussion on this. And we too often forget the disability community so we'll meet ADA requirements but I hope we go beyond that and that is what this speaks to. I'm appreciative we've gotten to this point. I vote aye and Hardesty amendment three is adopted and I believe, is it Hardesty ten? Is that correct?

Speaker: It was appropriate or should it go to the -- to our government affairs folks? Mayor, I will say yours districts the city government affairs to go and get money from the legislature so why is mine any different?

Speaker: We seek funding from the legislature. Generally speaking that is a core, this if he value state government gets lots of funding that can be used for us for a number of purposes, transportation, housing first response. And.

Speaker: Mayor, you know I know that.

Speaker: I know you do.

Speaker: Even parks on ocean. So that is more of a general operating point and I'm happy to take it out but this is a rather specific policy question. And so, my preference would be defer it to legislative discussion.

Speaker: Mayor, I will say i'll defer mine if you defer yours.

Speaker: Where? -- do you know where it is? What it says? And i'll take a look at it.

Speaker: Mean you know what? Never mind.

Speaker: Put this up. Please call roll.

Speaker: Actually. No. Commissioner Mapps?.

Speaker: In. Know. Very good.

Speaker: All right.

Speaker: So colleagues I'm going vote no on this, I'm going to vote no for a process reason. As I think the mayor has quite appropriately pointed out what we're doing is to add something to our legislative agenda. Now, this council has adopted a process and time line for adding stuff to our legislative agenda part that have process you might remember is that would add with votes of five-0. What you're proposing to do is add something to our agenda with four votes. I argue this is going to create a constitutional crisis in the city. So, it, we'll just go, that is where I'm at on this one. I do want to say I'd consider this part of our regular agenda we'll come back in two weeks. But if we're going to try to get this on with less than the unanimous votes rule we've agreed on I'm going to vote no.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps, I agree and I will vote no. I will honor process and please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: I am, I think this is and I wished we explored the other idea. In the context of legislative agenda I support go going there, but I will, today, I will vote aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: No.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Imagine being in had a state of energy, wanting to put lots of camps in place, with no money. And then, delaying, saying a clear message to legislature we want a million dollars from them. I vote aye.

Speaker: For reasons stated, and just to be clear, legal council had a question of me I want to clarify there no change to language. As proposed. There any further your discussion on this one?

Speaker: I have a --.

Speaker: Commissioner hardesty.

Speaker: Thank you. So this is you asking the legislature to work with you an other mayors to get money. Is that correct?

Speaker: So, this is actually not the case. This is as part of the annual budget process not the legislative process it's to go into effect July 1, 2023, we'll be providing a report each year stating total amount of beds and I may a personal commitment to you if we can speed that up we shall.

Speaker: I remember that one. Way back then, okay. Got it.

Speaker: That is a whiling ago.

Speaker: Any further discussion?

Speaker: Please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Amendment is adopted. Now, to the main motions. First up resolution 927 as amended there my further discussion to the main motion as amended? Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: Leagues, this ordinance commits council to pursuing a goal so ambitious, the mayor has described it as a moon shot. And that goal is to create 20,000 new units of affordable housing in the next ten years. While that is an ambitious goal, I believe Portland can also reach this milestone. And I think we can do it by offering innovative incentives encouraging agencies to build more affordable housing that working families can afford and I believe that Portland can reach this goal by cutting the red tape that makes it difficult to build new housing here in Portland. And that is why I enthusiastically accept the moon shot challenge to build 20,000 units of

affordable housing and working families can move into and that is why I'm voting aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio? Hi. Sorry. Should I read closing comments now?

Speaker: Why don't we do that just because you're on the phone? And in the unfortunate case that we lose you we'd like to get your comments on the record. So why don't you do that?

Speaker: Okay. Okay. Thank you. I am going to take the opportunity just to share a few words and also deserve updates and sleep without fear an violence and for humanity to be recognized and how to figure out any coverage will be important an I want I want folks to know that my intention for no houseless committee members to be criminalized because they don't have a place to call home. That not in alinement with our values. And I believe we need to try to better serve our community and my number one focus is to ensure safety and support and I plan to be a vocal and active participant and be sure they're reflective of and accountable to respect, equity and human dignity and two weeks ago, federal investigators and the purpose of the trip was to heat with a nonprofit that sets up some of these sites and intents, and tiny homes and they have other services and i'll be very frank here, I went down there and I needed to see it for myself. What I saw in action was responsive approach that centers humanity in residents and community created by the people that live there and where people felt safe and have social support they knee. We toured two well supported villages. And partners were welcomed with spaces for community connection and ensuring a work environment. We've seen bright spots where we can do better. And that said there are outstanding questions that I have that remain. And in this trip we didn't have a chance to ask financial questions, short, long term costs, financial authority and capacity over and there is

a huge gap between fears and experiences we've hear about and what we actually have seen and what we're talking about so how can we trust this will be with dignity. For me this information and policy and details and how we ensure how it moves with transparency an people at the center and hose are things we get right. And bottom line is that we need to do all we can to built trust and so for these reasons I vote aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Thank you. I want to take the lead from commissioner Rubio and do my comments now as well. I will be supporting these resolutions, ordinances and to say a national city has to have a best practice for housing. Today we to not have that system and we're in a chronic emergency and I appreciate listening session the mayor and I attended this week hosted by street routes for into long we've let homeless Portlanders navigate a system with inadequate options. I lost a brother on the streets ten years ago and I carry him, tim, in my heart as I do this work and that dot line I have worked to be responsive by establishing safe rest villages and that was supportive. Staff work closely with the community. Their work included did he commissioning of three cp30 camps and repurposing of them with better amenities and services and it was informative and affirming and are eight safe rest villages and so far, 50 people exited shelter in husbanding in the bipoc, affinity village and Multnomah safe rest villages. The team receiving calls from people who are homeless requesting a referral. What we're offering is what many on streets are asking for. There are communities of faith building villages and had is part of the humane first response system. For those living on the streets that we must bet behind. The fact is that we're on to something and must continue to build momentum. I appreciate conversations we have had about the five resolutions. Tie version programs, work activation. And resolutions in news creates activity,

common sense, action and truth. Our goal connecting Portlanders with supports they need and want. And we understand outdoor shelters are different. We understand and hear you they need to be safer and better and must consider options for women, families and LGBTQ community and those with disabilities. Last month representatives from five all council offices and one representative from the office lacked at and every person was impacted by the potential for success based on what they saw. That this is an action for all Portlanders we know our public right of way not designed for unsanctioned camping. Already frightening city about this crisis. Many have shared they're worried. Here's people don't feel after doing their jobs, walking to lunch, and commuting on public transportation and in cases our own employees and it's time to acknowledge tension and respond to sides of the issue. This offers bold action, with scalable results. And we need metro and partners to do the right thing and collectively send the taxpayers -- spend the taxpayer money wisely and with urgency.

Speaker: This is the first resolution 1127 as amended.

Speaker: Affordable housing construction.

Speaker: Excellent. Got it. Thank you. Let me just say, thank you, mayor. Of the resolutions this one I've been championing long before I got here and I think it's inexcusable the city doesn't land bank all of the land the city owns. Proposal is another aspirational I hope we don't do the things we've always done from this and what we need to do is make sure we're partnering with non-profits on public land to make sure that we can limit development and not make us correct and if we're going to fast track about fixing the loopholes that land banking rather than selling it to private developers and begging for a public benefit. Let me just say we cannot solve housing, houseless crisis. Without addressing the fundamental issue. Is that housing is way too expensive for working people and in the city of Portland. If we

don't do something radically different we're going to have tens of thousands of more houseless people starting in January when rents go up, again, 4.6%. So, I vote aye.

Speaker: I vote aye. To 928. This was the agenda item to increase coordination and enhanced unhoused access to work for discussion. Any questions seeing none please call roll.

Speaker: Just to clarify. I know Rubio, we're just going to not do speeches?

Speaker: I have something to say, too.

Speaker: Why don't we do them at the end. That is why -- I don't know.

Speaker: 1128. Mapps?.

Speaker: Sure.

Speaker: For those of you who support. I know one of the cures for houselessness is a family wage job. I also know this. Portland has a petition to excel to reduce houselessness and now, here is why. First Portland has a relatively low unemployment rate and second, high wages and minimum wage tied to inflation rate. These facts imply Portland should be in a great position to reduce homelessness by removing the barriers that prevent houseless residents from securing employment. Let's lean on our strategic advantage and commit ourselves to helping houseless folks get jobs and off the streets. I vote aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: Thank you. I'm interested to see how this proposal develops finding innovative ways to connect people to employment opportunities is a great way to help houseless community members obtain stability and independence. I look forward

to hearing from local and national experts had the field. In getting people employed who are houseless, I vote aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: I vote aye. Resolution is adopted. Item 929 resolution is amended this is connect mental health & and recovery services to unhoused individuals.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: This is easily the most controversial item on today's agenda. I also believe this resolution is the most also understood proposal before us today. And I see it does two things, first scales up work commissioner Ryan has pioneered with two years of experience with after rest villages and learned a lot during this program and still take safe rest villages from a next phase of the role out. And I believe are safe campuses. There is a second amendment that received attention and that is the directive for the city to develop a plan it phases in a city wide street camping ban over a year and a half. Today we have heard many criticisms of that of the camping ban is this Portlanders should no not have wait a year and a half for a commitment to keep our public spaces and with this resolution, is that it takes too long, to do too little. This resolution is a huge leap forward compared to the status quo which is why I vote aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: I appreciate all of the testimony that we received around resolution 929. The camping. Is that the camping ban one?

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Good. I want to do right one. It's been a long day. I appreciate testimony we've received and these resolutions, it the one that received the most attention from the public and the media. I have had people testimony me it would be politically smart thing to do to vote yes on this resolution and frankly easy for me to do that. But I can't help but remember my first day in this role nearly four years ago. As I was walking from city hall to an event celebrating my inauguration. A houseless gentleman recognized me and ran up to me he congratulated me and then, he had a simple request. Please don't forget about us. This has stuck with me through my time on this council. I know many become frustrate that had I spend so much time discussing the safety and needs of the houseless or low income community members. Struggling to pay rent. Some take it to me I don't care about the safety and well being of home owners and businesses but that is not true. I see the destruction is done to peoples property. I see the trash and needles on sidewalks. I get reports regularly about fires started. At houseless camps. I hear and share anxiety, and frustration community members feel around the city, about the houseless crisis. And I'm committed to continuing to work to solve the problem. But saying we will magically wave a wand this 18 months and there will be had more street camping is not real. He's contain no code changes, identify no funding or land, and have no agreements between yours dictional partners. Put a time line on banning treat camping that will take affect before the first new camp authorization in this resolution is open, is not only unrealistic, but it's cruel, and inhumane. Yes. It would be easy for me to just vote yes and be quiet. You care deeply about all Portlanders and this resolution will make a lot of people in the city he'll if and they'll think a solution around the corner. But had solution as outlined here isn't real and I can't forget I won't forget those who do not have the resources to sway politicians

let alone feed and house themselves. I will continue to fight so all Portlanders and it was of my commitment, to all Portlanders, that I vote no.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: First of all I just want to state these are resolutions, resolutions are the process to define and to develop proposals so some pieces of this will be to come back to City Council for further approval. But this is a necessary first step and it's one that I'm very glad we're taking. And I vote aye. And the resolution is adopted as amendments. 930. This is the substitute amendment with regard to partnership with budgeting. Any further discussion seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?

Speaker: Colleagues, this resolution is an invitation from the city of Portland to Multnomah County, metro, state of Oregon and the governor to come together and develop better ways to support houseless services in the Portland metro area. Here is one of the reasons we should have that conversation. The fate of every Oregonian is intertwined with the state of every other Oregonian. The state of Oregon cannot succeed if the city of Portland fails. Metro cannot succeed if the city of Portland fails. And Multnomah County cannot succeed if the city of Portland fails. The state and we are together in a prisoner's dilemma like game where we can only succeed if working together. So I make this plea to Portland's intergovernmental partners let's work together to make homelessness in Oregon obsolete. For these reasons and more, I vote aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: The houseless crisis that impacted cities across the country was in the created by local lawmakers. This is cumulation of decades of investment and housing starting in the early 80s at the federal level. I though my colleagues and I will continue to work to solve the houselessness and housing crisis our cities face but not able to do it alone. We mead to coordinate and we need to talk to people ahead of time our next governor, county chair, and to build a partnership to mick this work happen. I'm hopeful will help facilitate meaningful conversations with our jurisdictional partners and improve efficiency of how we use our limited resources I vote aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: I vote aye. Resolution is adopted. Finally, 931 diverse program in treatment services any further discussion? Seeing none, please call roll.

Speaker: Mapps?.

Speaker: Colleagues of the five resolutions before us today, resolution 931 received least amount of engagement from the public an this council. Which surprising. Because I think this resolution could be a real game changer in efforts to reduce houselessness. I think this because I know in of the things that prevent many houseless individuals from reengaging with employment and housing opportunities are out standing legal issues on relatively minor offensives. This resolution lays out a path for Portlanders who are in trouble with the law to participate in diversion programs instead of grinding through the criminal justice system this, is a long overdue, common sense reform, which will make it easier for people who are trapped to reengage with work and house opportunities, which is why I vote aye.

Speaker: Rubio?

Speaker: She had to go, mayor.

Speaker: Okay. And she hung in with us?

Speaker: Yes. She did.

Speaker: I appreciate it. I'll pass on my thanks to her tomorrow.

Speaker: Ryan?

Speaker: Aye.

Speaker: Hardesty?

Speaker: I am a big fan of diversion programs and interested in seeing how this is developed. I have had many conversations with district attorney about this proposal and look forward to working with him. With divers it could pollution when people are homeless they don't get a row minder and now, I look forward to working with the government. A to ensure citations based on getting people help need. People who are danger russ should continue to be arrested and tried for their crimes. They don't makeup housed people safer. We should keep in mind that commonly people houseless today. They're and finding ways to help people avoid fines they can't pay and jail time and wet them access to services and help really an important goal. I look forward to working with colleagues and da on making this real. Because, today, you cannot get alcohol an drug treatment. If you wanted it today, you can't get mental health treatment if you wanted it today. Again. I look forward to the day when this is reality. I vote aye.

Speaker: Wheeler?

Speaker: I vote aye. Resolution adopted, I want to thank my colleagues this was in the an easy lift. These are difficult issues we're not just talking about issues of policy we're talking about what the definition of compassion is I want to thank staff and I want to thank everybody who testified I appreciate your perspective and I hope you come pack. We have heard from new people I help that is or the of the standard. We should are debates here. We should have disagreements and vet issues from all

angles and come to a decision as a community. So I want to thank you. I want to thank staffs and the folks in the community hard part is head. These are resolutions now where he to make it work and if you didn't get the vote you wanted there will be opportunity to shape these proposals in a that I think will be bowl and I hope we end where we've started which is an acknowledgement that people deserve our commission and need understanding and it my personal view he's take an important step for the city to be able to do just that. Thank you for being here today. And we're adjourned.