

Slusher's park reprieve

By PATTY MANTIA

OVERLOOK—Residents of N. Skidmore Terrace knew about the N. Going Street, Greeley overpass work going on below the bluff they live on but never figured it would affect them.

Until the trucks came.

Dump trucks from Hanna Brothers, contractors on the state and city Going widening project, started rumbling up the quiet, dead-end Skidmore Terrace late last Wednesday. From 4:30 to 7 p.m. trucks dumped dirt down the pristine neighborhood gully which is filled with blackberry patches, time-worn trails, and dogwoods, and is sort of a mini-Forest Park.

"All of the city offices were closed," notes resident Kenneth Slusher of the predicament neighbors faced when they tried to seek aid that night.

"The first truck came at 8:10 a.m. this morning," Slusher said last Thursday, "and by 9 a.m. I had started calling everybody in town."

What irked Slusher and his neighbors was not so much the dirt that was dumped in their adopted front yard, but the

debris—including parts of an old boiler, a teapot, and wooden crate slats—that came with the dirt.

"Going Street area used to be a garbage dump," Slusher informed, "and now they're bringing that stinking garbage up here."

"This has been our own little private park. It took a hundred or so years for these trees to grow," he said casting an eye at a giant evergreen, "And now it's going to be covered up."

But Slusher's non-stop phone-calling paid off.

"We quit," says Ralph Hanna of Hanna Brothers. "I talked to one neighbor and he didn't mind but the rest of the street was mad at me."

Hanna Brothers owns a portion of the gully. "It's property we've owned for years. We bought it for the Minnesota Freeway, but the company didn't get that job," he reported.

The rest of the gully is owned by the city and a homeowner on the south side of the ravine.

"We had only a few loads to go, so we took them to alternate sites. I took the coward's way out," Hanna said goodnaturedly. He did say that the land

would be held in reserve for future dumping, "but just dirt or sand," no debris. In order to dump more than 50 yards, Hanna has to get a conditional use permit from the city planning commission, which means a public hearing.

Hanna said the site was shut down to get proper permits but he said "if they're not released, I'll not fight the battle."

The neighbors "definitely don't have to worry immediately," Hanna noted.

Another person who received one of the early morning phone calls by Slusher was Robert Shotwell, resident engineer with the Oregon Highway Division, which along with the Port of Portland and the city are joining financiers of the Going Street widening.

"The first time I heard about it was that Thursday morning," Shotwell said, "I went out there and I shut off the hauling at that time." That's when he and Hanna talked with some of the residents and Hanna decided he'd stop hauling.

So, for the time being Slusher's park, as the gully is affectionately dubbed by the Skidmore Terrace residents, will remain in its natural state.



Kenneth Slusher halted the trucks

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Going Street to get engineers' go-ahead

N. PORTLAND — Though recognizing that there has been considerable opposition to the widening of N. Going Street, the city engineers office will recommend to Council this Wednesday morning, May 1, that the project continue.

Two weeks ago, petitions signed by 545 North Portland residents asked for a Council rehearing on the widening project. Council referred the matter to Public Works Commissioner Connie McCready.

McCready will recommend that Council adopt the report of the city engineer including four recommendations which the engineer feels will respond to the environmental concerns expressed by Beach neighborhood residents.

These include:

Formation of a six-member committee to "work on" creative solutions to reduce traffic volume, air pollution and noise pollution." This committee would consist of one representative from the unions, the Port of Portland, Swan Island businesses, the North Portland Citizens Committee and two residents from the project vicinity.

All city bureaus would be expected to provide expertise when requested by the committee.

A council resolution authorizing and providing funds for the planting of trees on private property. "These trees would be as large as feasible and be selected for their noise shielding qualities," the report reads.

The city shall secure the agreement of the Port of Portland to prohibit the Port from developing 150 acres of Mocks Bottom land until solutions to the transportation problems can be found and approved by the Council.

An ordinance passed to provide city funds for adult crossing guards "within the next few weeks at the intersection of N. Concord Avenue and N. Going Street.

A joint venture of the city, the Port of Portland and the state highway division, the \$3.7 million Going project is a 1.1 mile widening from I-5 to N. Lagoon Avenue. Work is underway on the Greeley overpass portion of the widening project and estimates are that 15 per cent of funds have been expended.

The city engineer's report notes that since no federal funds were involved in this project, the state did not require an environmental impact statement... a statement which the residents are now demanding.

Reiterating the information contained in the initial "Project Digest" of the Going Street widening, the city engineer states that "This particular project would have a minimal environmental effect upon the surrounding neighborhood."

N. Going Street is slated to be widened to six lanes in the project area. Pollution, neighborhood livability and pedestrian safety are residents' concerns.

Acknowledging that air, noise and vibration problems are "severe under the existing conditions, "it is our feeling that the project as proposed will improve air quality by providing for a smoother traffic flow and relieve to some extent the vibration problems with the asphaltic concrete overlay of the entire roadway while only increasing the noise levels a very slight amount," the city engineer's recommendation says.

Saying that it would be "extremely difficult and costly to the taxpayers to terminate the contract," the city engineer said that this project would also allow for the future usage of two lanes for exclusive mass transit and perhaps car pooling.

Quite a few area residents are expected to be on hand at this week's Council hearing on the matter.

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City Delays Going Street Widening For 30 Days

Portland's City Council has delayed widening construction for 30 days on two blocks of a 1.1-mile stretch of N. Going Street leading into Swan Island. Construction of the \$3 million project to expand N. Going to five and six lanes from the I-5 freeway to N. Greeley Avenue was begun in January after several years of planning. But the council was pre-

sented with more than 900 signatures from North Portland residents claiming that the widened street would increase air and noise pollution and degrade the neighborhood. Sharon Roso, speaking for the North Portland Citizens' Committee, said the project deserves an environmental impact study (even though federal funds are not involved) and that access to

the Swan Island industrial area should not run through a residential area. State Rep. Howard Cherry said the widening is a "partial solution to a large problem." He said an alternative route must be found. But Commissioner Francis Ivancic said other routes to the island have been examined for years without reaching a satisfactory conclusion. Ernest Bonner, city plan-

ning director, proposed that the city purchase \$230,000 worth of property on the south side of Going between Concord and Interstate Avenues. He said the additional land would allow relocation of Going so landscaped buffers would protect residential areas from the noise. The council agreed to study the Bonner plan for 30 days while permitting the

rest of the construction to continue. Richard Ball, of Freightliner Corp., which is on Swan Island, said no proposal will work that does not eliminate a major traffic signal at Going and Interstate. Connie McCready, commissioner of public works, said, "I'm afraid we're not going to find any responsible alternative that's going to make everyone happy."

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Council will study alternative to Swan Island access plan

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North Portlanders, in another protest against widening the Going Street access to Swan Island, won a con-

cession from the City Council Wednesday.

The council agreed to examine an alternate design which would avoid moving curbs back four feet on ei-

ther side of the street, along most of the route.

The new option would take street-side property on the south side of Going from the east part of the Greeley Interchange to Interstate 5. The only exceptions to the acquisition would be a fire station and a bank.

The purchase would increase the \$3.3 million project by another \$250,000, according to estimates of Ernest R. Bonner, director of city planning.

The goal of the project is to increase traffic lanes from five to six, establish noise buffer zones and erect a pedestrian crossing over Going at N. Concord Avenue.

Mayor Neil Goldschmidt instructed city staff to confer on the alternate with the state Department of Transportation and the Port of Portland and bring plans back within 30 days.

Connie McCready, commissioner of Public Works, said the contractor had agreed to halt construction on the section until the council reached a decision.

Bonner said the design change would not affect 98 per cent of the contract.

The council chamber was filled with Going Street residents, and petitions have been turned in with more than 900 signatures against the construction.

Because of the lengthy debate, the hearing on deleting charges for hooking up new water connections was postponed until 2 p.m. Thursday, May 2.

Harbor Drive traffic stop slated for this month

PORTLAND — The long discussed closure of Portland's Harbor Drive to traffic in order to create open space will become a reality on May 23-24 when the Highway Division plans to close the highway between Ash and Clay streets.

Southbound traffic lanes will be closed on Thursday, May 23 and on the following day the northbound traffic lanes will be closed.

The Highway Division plans a vigorous campaign to acquaint motorists with the new routings built around a theme, "You can't get here from here . . . anymore." The Division plans to stop traffic on Harbor Drive on May 20 to 23 to pass out literature and maps explaining the closure and to provide alternative travel information.

This section of highway now carries an average of 35,000 vehicles per day which is comparable to what is carried on McLoughlin Boulevard near Mil-

port Road, on the Burnside Bridge, on the Banfield at 102nd, and on Barbur Boulevard north of the Beaverton-Hillsboro Highway.

Robert N. Bothman, metropolitan engineer for the highway division, said that construction on the new ramps on Harbor Drive had reached the stage where it was deemed advisable to move traffic. The bulk of the existing traffic is expected to be diverted to the Stadium Freeway, Front Avenue and the Eastbank Freeway.

Harbor Drive has functioned with minor modifications as both a through urban highway route and a local service arterial since its completion in the late 1940s.

With the construction of the Eastbank Freeway (I-5), the completion of the Stadium Freeway and the opening of the Fremont Bridge, the overall service function of Harbor Drive is considered to be somewhat

less vital than in previous years, according to officials.

The move took a definite step forward with the appointment by Gov. Tom McCall in 1968 of a Harbor Drive Task Force to study the city's proposal to close the highway section in order to create open space as the first step in implementation of a people-oriented downtown plan.

The Task Force was composed of nine members equally representing the city of Portland, Multnomah County and the state. Their primary purpose was to study the possibility of such a highway closure and to develop guidelines for public use of the area as it relates to other elements of core area planning.

In December, 1968, the City Planning Commission published the Downtown Waterfront Plan which listed objectives for closing Harbor Drive.

These included creating and inviting human space containing features to attract people,

give them pleasure and enjoyment, and capitalize on the natural asset they have in the Willamette River; to create a symbol for Portland along the riverfront, thereby improving Portland's image; to provide a dramatic setting and adequate space and facilities to serve the Rose Festival; to create for the future a place which will attract and hold tourists, providing entertainment and pleasure throughout the year; and to provide beauty, activities, and investment opportunities needed downtown to strengthen the core area in face of strong continuing decentralization forces.

A public hearing on the proposed closing was held on January 14, 1971 at which time testimony indicated strong feelings for and against the proposal. A second hearing was held on June 18, 1971 to consider the design aspects of the proposal. Again, the feelings ran strongly for or against the proposition but much concern was expressed about the timing of the closure. Much

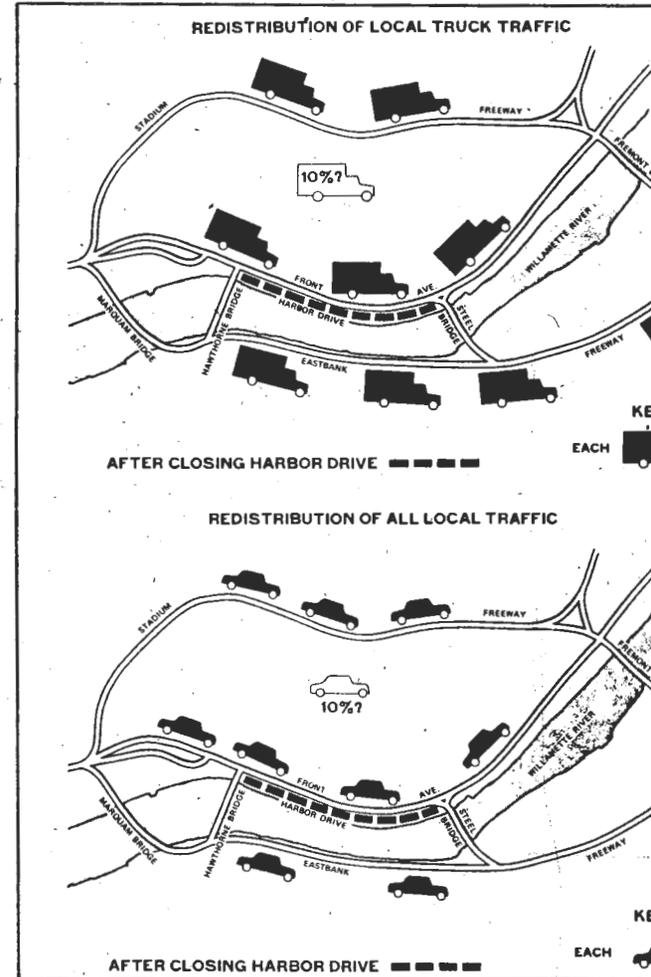
was dependent upon the opening of the Fremont Bridge, which was accomplished on Nov. 15, 1973.

Highway officials expect that some inconveniences will be experienced as motorists become accustomed to the changes but conditions are expected to improve over a period of time.

It is anticipated that the traffic on Front Avenue will nearly double following the shift. Front Avenue is being converted to a two-way street with ramps at each end connecting to existing facilities.

On April 25, the city adopted an urban renewal plan for the area between the river and 5th Avenue with a "people's park" envisioned between the river and First Avenue. The city pictures a "front door waterfront park" for the future along the Willamette River.

The first use of the closed Harbor Drive area will be for Rose Festival activities this June with the carnival occupying some of the right-of-way.



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Harbor Drive closure date set

The state Highway Division will close Harbor Drive permanently between Ash and Clay streets in three weeks, metropolitan engineer Robert Bothman said Wednesday.

Southbound traffic will be rerouted to Front Avenue May 23 and northbound vehicles the following day as the Highway Division follows its timetable of replacing the thoroughfare along the city's west harbor wall on the Willamette River.

Bothman announced the dates after meeting with city and Rose Festival officials.

He said the festivals' annual carnival will use the Harbor right-of-way along

with the old Journal Building site, leaving Front Avenue entirely open in June. Part of Front had been blanketed

with carnival tents for the event in recent years.

Bothman estimated the Harbor Drive replacement will be completed in August. Still to be built are a northbound ramp to the Steel Bridge and a ground-level path between Front and Harbor near the Clay Street Ramp, which will be demolished.

However, the ramp will connect Front and Harbor temporarily until the work is completed.

The drive was doomed by the opening of the Fremont Bridge last November, connecting the Stadium Freeway with Northeast Portland.

City Council delays water system 'buy-in' fee plan until February

A delay until Feb. 1, 1975, of the plan that would require all new homes and buildings to pay a fee to "buy in" to the Portland wa-

ter system was ordered by the Portland City Council Wednesday.

The extra charge had been scheduled to go into effect

when city water prices increase July 1.

But Commissioner Francis Ivancic had sought a year's delay on the charge on new

homes and buildings—called a systems development charge—because of legal, administrative and discrimination problems.

Although he said he would like to delay the water rate increase, he said it was needed because the Water Bureau faces a \$3 million deficit without it in the coming fiscal year.

Commissioner Connie McCready suggested the Feb. 1 date for the new charge as a compromise and it was approved on a 3 to 2 vote with Mayor Neil Gold-

schmidt and Commissioner Mildred Schwab in opposition.

Miss Schwab said water rates shouldn't be increased unless the systems development charge begins at the same time. Her attempt to delay the water rate increase was defeated.

Much of the money from the systems development charge will come from out-of-Portland water districts which use city water.

The systems development charge would mean an additional \$300 cost to get water

to a single family home. Higher amounts would be charged for apartments and for business and industrial buildings.

Former City Commissioner Lloyd Anderson, who first proposed the systems development charge, said that if it is not put into effect it will mean increased water rates in the city in the future.

It is estimated the new charge will bring in about \$1 million a year.

The council decided to take another look at the water rate increase Feb. 1

when the systems development charge is scheduled to take effect.

It also ordered the Water

Bureau not to spend any of the \$2.1 million budgeted for contingency projects until after Feb. 1.

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Police oppose social gambling because of links with crime

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A proposal to legalize social gambling in Portland would allow full-scale casino operations and extend an invitation to organized crime, the Portland Police Bureau says.

The issue is to come to a vote before the City Council on Thursday.

Commissioners have indicated they want to legalize social gambling, an option granted in the 1973 Legislature's rewrite of the state gambling statute.

Police Chief Bruce R. Baker said Wednesday, however, that he will appear before the council and recommend against the proposed ordinance and any other liberalization of the city's current gambling code.

David Edstrom, Portland police legal adviser, said the state "social gambling" law is vague and allows "huge amounts of money to be made legally and illegally by exploiting loopholes, where the burden of proof and evidence-gathering is so high that law enforcement couldn't make an arrest no matter how hard they tried."

The City Council will vote Thursday on an ordinance that Atty. Gen. Lee Johnson and City Attorney John Osborne say will be illegal.

Fees favored

It goes beyond legalizing "social gambling" and specifically allows the card houses to charge a \$1 per person per hour "use" fee.

But with or without a "fee," policy say that if social gambling is legalized, major gambling interests will enter the city.

Lobbyists for social gambling have stressed to the City Council that they would not profit from the games and that the beneficiaries would be "the pensioners who plan for diversion."

But, according to Capt. Paul Fontana, head of the vice and narcotics division, "most of the operators who are lobbying for social gambling wouldn't allow a man like that in their front door."

"This has got nothing to do with old men and pensions," Fontana said, "This has to do with big money, heavy table stakes, professional operators and men from out of town," he said.

Fontana said he hoped the city, if gambling is legalized, would be able to oppose liquor licenses in card rooms and be able to regulate food prices.

any "house player," but it would be impossible for police to identify a shill who sat in games for the house and later paid a kickback.

Oregon would be faced with the same law enforcement problems as Nevada, but would be without the regulatory experience and muscle of the Nevada Gaming Commission, Edstrom said.

Edstrom claimed a house could "get around" the rule that social gambling houses exact no "take" from players.

If players use tokens redeemable only at the bar, the cardrooms "would get their prohibited 'take' by upping food and drink prices by 20, 30, or 50 per cent.

Further, he said, the law permits two types of gambling: "social games" and "traditional gambling."

In the latter case, bettors are limited to a purchase of "not more than \$10 worth of tokens for use in the contest."

But what does the word "contest" mean, Edstrom asked.

"Construed most favorably to the house, a 'contest' means a single game, or a series of games," he said. "The house could organize a morning contest, an afternoon contest and an evening contest — each authorizing the contestant to buy \$10 more in tokens. Taken to the extreme, the house could declare contests of 1, 2, 3, 4 . . . to infinity, and sell all

the tokens they desired." Edstrom said.

Another weakness in the law is that though it limits the number of tokens a bettor can buy, it doesn't limit the number in possession.

"That presents police with an impossible problem," Edstrom said. "Suppose a policeman finds a bettor carrying \$100 worth of tokens. If the man claims he has saved them up over a period of time, the police are helpless. There is no prima facie inference that the house is selling more tokens than the law allows. That opens the door to undercover token sales," Edstrom said.

"There is going to be a house cut in Portland if social gambling is allowed here, and there will be a law enforcement problem and a tax evasion problem," Edstrom said.

"It will bring to Portland a type of people that could only be described as a criminal element," he said.

Chief Baker added, "I am opposed to liberalization of Portland's gambling policies because where that has been tried it has inevitably led to two things.

"First the card houses start to make a profit, and when that happens you will have people who move in with devices and methods whereby it's no longer really just social gambling, it is a profit-making enterprise by people who will take advantage of others."

Haas skirts issue

Multnomah County Dist. Atty. Harl Haas said he will not advise the council on the pending ordinance.

Haas noted that the lack of any betting limit, failure of the law to limit the number of gambling tokens that can be in possession, the certainty that the law's ambiguity over the number of tokens that can legally be sold by a gambling house in any 24-hour period will have to be litigated with no certain outcome, the difficulty of identifying shills in games, the likelihood that covert gambling token sales will occur, and the possibility that organized crime could become interested in Portland, "may all constitute a law enforcement problem (to the city if social gambling is legalized)."

"I assume that the city legislators will take a close look at any law before they pass it," Haas said.

He said that arrests and law enforcement are Chief Baker's problem, not the district attorney's.

Haas said he opposes any situation in which the rich people who gamble in clubs are given arrest immunity which is denied to poor people who gamble in public card houses.

Law vague

Kenneth Underdahl, Oregon Liquor Control Commission director, said however, "The OLCC would have no cause to object to gaming in cities where the council makes it legal."

Edstrom said that the city has no authority to dictate food or drink prices charged by a gambling house.

Edstrom said one of the law's vaguenesses defines and outlaws "gambling devices" as "any device . . . used (for) unlawful gambling."

"However 'social games' as defined by law are not 'unlawful gambling' and the prohibition doesn't apply to them," Edstrom said.

The only constraint on gambling devices is that the games must be "between players." A craps table or roulette wheel where players bet against one another would be legal, Edstrom said.

Another threatening provision of the law, Edstrom says, is that no limit is placed on the amount of money which can be gam-

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City approves
scoreboard 103.04

Over the protest of neighbors of the school, the Portland City Council Wednesday voted to allow the erection of a scoreboard at Grant High School.

Commissioner Mildred Swab made the only dissenting vote.

The board would be banked by trees, said Spencer Vail of the planning commission staff.

The council also upheld the planning commission by denying the American Hospital Supply Co., deedholder, and Dahlin Laboratories, lessee, a variance in a buffer zone at SE Clay Street and 24th Avenue.

Mayor Neil Goldschmidt missed the council session to keep office appointments.

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Gambling rule
additions urged 103.04

Six requested additions to Portland's proposed social gambling ordinance were presented to the City Council Wednesday by Stan Terry, a Portland businessman.

Terry said the suggestions resulted from a survey among owners of potential card rooms.

The survey favored:

— Establishing \$1 betting limit.

— Levying a license fee of \$250 a year.

— Prohibiting mechanical gambling devices.

— Establishing a \$500 fine and loss of social gambling license for violations.

— Prohibiting license holders or employes from playing in their own establishment.

— Requiring a license holder to be a resident of the state for five years.

The city attorney's office is preparing the ordinance for hearing before the council. No date has been set.

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Gambling
Regulation
Suggested

Portland businessman Stan Terry has offered the City Council several recommendations for regulating social gambling in a city ordinance now being prepared by City At. John Osburn.

By state law the city is empowered to regulate social gambling which became legal by recent legislative action. The council may receive a revised regulatory ordinance this week according to Osburn.

Terry said his recommendations are the result of a public opinion survey compiled by him. He suggested that social games be allowed only in business establishments which pay a \$250 annual license fee to the city and that gambling stakes not exceed \$1.

He also urged that business proprietors have no participation in the gambling and that proprietors be Oregon residents for five years before being eligible for a license to operate social games.

Terry said the five-year requirement would discourage an influx of operators from outside the state. He suggested that gambling premises be fined a maximum of \$500 in addition to the loss of their licenses for violations.

Mayor Neil Goldschmidt asked that copies of Terry's recommendations be prepared for council members.

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Commissioners
make changes
city's code

Criminal Code Work Near End

City delays code update

City's update of code back with changes

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Portland city commission-
ers Tuesday wrapped up
most of their work with City
Atty. John Osburn on pro-
posed revisions to Portland's
criminal code.

The new code will be up
for city council adoption
Thursday afternoon.

Osburn told commissioners
that revisions he has pro-
posed will not change city
policies, but will simplify the
existing code, omitting
"archaic crimes" and those
already covered adequately
by state law.

Revision of the code, cov-
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deals with the "peace, safety
and morals" of the commu-
nity.

One major revision, Os-
burn told commissioners,
eliminates fine and imprison-
ment for persons responsible
for neighborhood nuisances,
such as junk, unrepaired
sidewalks and the like.

Instead, the revised code
calls for the city to abate the
nuisance, and charge the
cost to the offender.

The code revision at pre-
sent will not deal with noise
nuisances or gambling.
These will be taken up later
in the year.

Still unresolved, Osburn
said, is the broad category of
"fortune telling."

The city attorney said ci-
ties historically have en-
forced such ordinances to
discriminate against gypsies,
but that it could be retained
by Portland as a consumer-
protection device.

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PORTLAND - Keep your Frankenstein mask in the closet and bear in mind that it is still unlawful to swat someone in the face with a feather duster. Action on a proposed updating of the city code on "public peace, safety, and morals has been postponed again.

In a May 2 request for a second delay, Mayor Neil Goldschmidt said commissioners have not yet had the opportunity to thoroughly examine the new code in informal conference sessions.

Action was first deferred in early April, when Portland Police Chief Baker (who was appointed after the 1941 code was re-written), some commissioners and city bureaus asked for more time to examine new code provisions. The code covers nuisance abatement, street and sidewalk obstructions, maintaining public order, minors, weapons and explosives, and business matters.

Title 14 will again come before the council at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 16.

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Council to air
code changes
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A revision of the Portland city code as it relates to public peace, safety and morals will be on the City Council calendar at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 16.

The revision, which covers a broad list of subjects, was reviewed for the city commissioners by City Attorney John Osburn at the council's informal session Tuesday.

Osburn said the code was revised to simplify it, "not to make major policy changes or create new exotic crimes."

He said archaic crimes were deleted as were provisions where state law superseded and offered adequate protection.

PORTLAND - Title 14, a comprehensive revision of the city's code on "public peace, safety and morals" will return for a public hearing at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 2 in City Council chambers.

The code would eliminate such obscure and unenforceable measures as the "mask law" and old regulations that prohibit hats in theaters and make it illegal "to thrust into the face of another a feather duster."

Action was deferred on the proposed code, which first came up for Council consideration in early April, at the request of Portland Police Chief Bruce Baker, the Metropolitan Youth Commission (MYC) and some commissioners who had questions about code provisions.

MYC questioned curfew laws for juveniles. The proposed code continues a complicated set of weekday and weekend curfews that prohibit non-high school children under 14 from being out between 9:15 p.m. and 6 a.m. on a school night. For 14-to-18 year olds, the

10:15 p.m. weeknight curfew is extended to midnight on week-ends and evenings preceding non-school days.

MYC had originally asked that city curfews be abandoned in favor of the state statute that prohibits juveniles under 18 from being on the street after midnight or before 4 a.m.

After meetings with police, sheriff's office and youth agency personnel, MYC is no longer calling for a curfew law change. "Our concern is with the way curfew violations are handled," said MYC staffer Sarah Newhall. "We feel it should be regarded as a social rather than a legal problem."

She said 1,250 young persons were referred to juvenile court for curfew violations last year "and about 12,000 received warnings. What do you do with kids whose parents aren't home?"

Ms. Newhall said MYC hopes to work with youth agencies and law enforcement officers in setting up community-based shelter care to offer youths

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Emergency Air Law Eyed

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By FRED IERSON
Journal Staff Writer

A plan that would give the mayor authority to close downtown Portland and the Lloyd Center to automobile traffic in case of heavy air pollution will be presented Thursday to the City Council.

According to the ordinance provisions, the mayor could ask for voluntary restrictions on traffic or order streets closed to all but emergency vehicles, depending on carbon monoxide levels in the air.

The chance of needing the full traffic ban is "near zero," according to information compiled with the ordinance, but voluntary restrictions could be sought from 3 to 10 times per year. Penalty for violating street blockades would be a \$500 fine or 6 months in jail or both.

Under the city code amendment, the mayor would ask persons voluntarily not to drive in the downtown core or Lloyd Center when carbon monoxide reaches 13 parts per million in the air.

At 30 parts per million, the mayor would be authorized to place barricades to prevent all motorized vehicles, except emergency vehicles, buses, delivery trucks and taxis between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

At 40 parts per million of carbon monoxide, the barricade would eliminate all vehicular access except for emergency vehicles. The traffic control area downtown extends from W. Burnside Street to SW Clay Street from SW Front Avenue to SW 13th Avenue.

Barricaded streets in the Lloyd Center vicinity would be from NE Weidler Street to NE Holladay Street from NE 16th Avenue to NE Grand Avenue, according to the plan.

A similar emergency air plan was submitted to the council almost a year ago, involving only the downtown traffic control area. The Lloyd Center area was added during revision. The matter will come before the council during the 2 p.m. Thursday agenda at City Hall.

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10:50 p.m.
City Seeks Hearings Officer

Portland's City Council called Thursday for legislation to create an officer to hear routine zoning, variance and conditional use matters instead of the Planning Commission.

According to the plan, the hearings officer would hold quasi-judicial hearings on planning matters in accordance with state law and would make decisions that could be appealed to the council.

A recommendation from the Planning Commission in favor of a hearings officer said the new procedure would allow the commission to deal with broad planning policies and guidelines rather than taking most of its time on routine hearings.

The council asked City Atty. John Osburn to prepare an ordinance establishing a hearing officer to be brought back to the council for further consideration.

At the suggestion of Mayor Neil Goldschmidt, the council asked Osburn to include a provision giving the council the right to decide whether it would hear more testimony on each appeal or make its decision on the basis of verbatim testimony before the hearings officer.

The council also agreed that the \$22,000 officer should be nominated by the mayor after the Civil Service Commission narrows the field to three, and that the council confirm the mayor's nomination.

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10:30 p.m.
Council OKs route for PGE

The Portland City Council paved the way Wednesday for a utility company to be given a new route for some of its lines in the Emanuel Hospital urban renewal area.

Portland General Electric Co. lines, which serve 13,000 customers, must be moved upon the vacation of N. Commercial and Gantenbein Avenues and N. Stanton Street to allow hospital expansion, Oliver Norville of the Portland Development Commission said.

The council instructed the Portland Development Commission and the hospital to find a new route for the transmission lines.

Vacation of the street is necessary so the hospital can qualify for a federal grant by June 30, Roger Larson, hospital president, said. The hospital's timetable says bids will be called for May 16 and construction will start June 15.

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Sauna parlor pair accused

Ginger S. Cardwell, 29, a sauna parlor operator and publisher of "Ginger and Spice" magazine, was arrested Thursday night by Portland vice officers on an accusation of promoting prostitution.

Arrested with Miss Cardwell at Sexy Sauna No. 1, 1123 SE Market St., was Gloria Aileen Rodacker, 22, of 721 SW 26th Ave., who was accused of prostitution. Miss Cardwell gave an address of 8735 SE 11th Ave.

According to police, a plainclothes policeman entered the parlor at 9:25 p.m. and talked with the two women long enough to establish that an offer of prostitution had been made.

A spokesman in the district attorney's office said Miss Cardwell is involved in the operation of several Portland area sauna parlors.

Miss Cardwell's bail was set at \$1,505 and Miss Rodacker's at \$505. Both women were released after posting 10 per cent of the total amounts.

Miss Cardwell, whose actual name is believed by federal authorities to be Shirley Anne Danley, is charged in a federal indictment with conspiracy and interstate transportation of obscene matter.

She and three codefendants have been tried in U.S. District Court in Portland and Judge James M. Burns has taken the case under advisement.

Dear Mr. Jordan,

Hopefully this mighty matter will reach you before temperatures soar to add more heat to the already overheated council sessions (One 6/20)

After writing you and receiving a reply dated May 3, we spoke with Dave Visk about a strategy for the removal of the Sauna from SE Hawthorne. so far our case does not look too good unless we can find some legal technicality to work on.

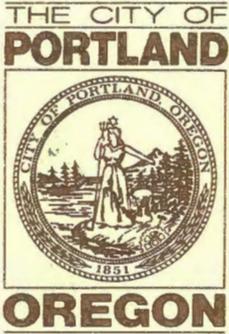
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newspaper article on a petition to be circulated in the neighborhood? there seems to be some fear that this is a "Mafia" connected operation with reprisal if too much pressure is applied. Could this be so in Portland?

I hope you have some new approach to revoking of a business license & can share it with us.

Sincerely,
Suzanna Bairn
16666 SE Yamhill 97215



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CHARLES JORDAN
COMMISSIONER

1220 S.W. FIFTH AVE.
PORTLAND, OR. 97204
503 248-4682

Frank Lamberton
127 S.W. Broadway
Portland, Oregon 97209

Dear Mr. Lamberton:

Thank you for your letter regarding City Council's approval of the Meier & Frank parking garage on the Blue Mouse block.

I appreciate your concern over the removal of well patronized shops and businesses on the 1/2 block for a multi-level garage. The Downtown Goals and Guideline plan has, as one of its goals the preservation and rehabilitation of existing buildings. Another goal which is of paramount concern to the Council, is the revitalization of Portland's downtown retail and commercial center. Short term parking for shoppers and visitors in convenient, easily identifiable garages will help bring people back into town and will provide the stimulus needed to keep our downtown economically viable. The popularity of suburban shopping centers is a serious threat to this objective.

The Blue Mouse block was identified in the City's Clean Air Plan as one of two blocks in that area most appropriate for a parking garage. This structure will provide partial replacement parking for spaces removed by the Transit Mall and the public square planned for the existing Meier & Frank parking lot.

I hope this addresses some of your concerns. Again, thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Charles Jordan

Commissioner Jordan
Commissioner of
Public Safety

I'm not spending a 10¢ stamp to send this, but w/CJ/far will drop it off, and no reply please. The Blue Mouse Theater is the only reasonably priced movie in town. The others charge from 1.50 to 3.00 to see a mere movie. The B.M. charges 1.00 anytime. To take the only low priced movie from the people and give it to the cars is outrageous and no fancy arguments change that fact. The poolhall cafe next door is a popular gathering place and should be left alone --not sacrificed so more people can come to town in their cars.

1300 Blue Mouse Block
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This letter
could as well
say, Mr.
Lamberton, our
minds are made up.
Don't confuse us
with facts
or common sense.

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November 9, 1974

Mr. Jim Westfall
2386 W. Burnside
Portland, Oregon 97201

Dear Mr. Westfall:

Thank you for your letter indicating your concern over City Council's approval to construct a 500 space multi-level parking garage on the Blue Mouse Block.

I appreciate your concern, but see this garage for short-term parking as being consistent with the goal to encourage use of mass transit throughout the City, and particularly in the downtown core. The Downtown Parking and Circulation Policy, which Council will soon act on, places a lid of 39,500 parking spaces in the downtown area. This lid is intended to help Portland meet Federal clean air standards. Mass transit will play a key role.

The 39,500 spaces permitted under the lid are currently for short and long term parking, scattered throughout the core--on the streets, on surface lots and in parking garages. In the Parking Policy, parking is to be consolidated into easily identifiable multi-level structures with the number of shopper and visitor spaces to be increased as more downtown employees become bus riders.

The Blue Mouse Block was one of two blocks between Third and Fourth Avenue and Morrison and Yamhill Streets, which was identified in the City's Clean Air Plan as most appropriate for a parking structure. The Meier and Frank garage will provide parking for partial replacement spaces removed by the Transit Mall and the park planned for the Meier and Frank parking lot on Broadway.

I hope this addresses some of your concerns. Again, thank you for bringing this to my attention.

Sincerely,

Charles Jordan
Commissioner of Public Safety

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COPY
Submitted to you for your
file and information
George Yerkovich, City Auditor

Date 9-27

Portland City Commission
City Hall
Portland, Ore. 97205

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Jim Westfall
2386 W. Burnside
Portland, Ore. 97201

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GEORGE YERKOVICH, CITY AUDITOR
CITY OF PORTLAND, ORE.

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Commissioners,

It distresses me greatly that we seek solutions to problems in the realm of the immediate rather than planning for a viable future.

I am immediately concerned with your ambiguous solutions to the problem of the survival of our downtown community. On one hand you espouse the institution of an effective mass transportation system, which you and I know is a must if the downtown area is to have a future at all, and on the other you are sanctioning the construction of a multi-level parking lot which seems to be directly contrary to the principles of a mass transportation system. The parking lot to which I refer is, of course, the much publicized "Blue Mouse block" lot, proposed by Meier and Frank merchandizers.

If you are to persist in this direction of planning waste, to whom are we to expect to look to for effective leadership, with the future of our children and mankind in mind? Prudence is vital to our present community planning as well as the planning of a world community inevitable in the future. We must begin to examine the realistic necessities of citizens rather than yield to the economic pressures of a supposedly necessary proliferating productivity found in our business community. I don't imply we should cease building, but that we should examine realistically our future needs.

I implore you to reconsider your unanimous decision to build the Meier and Frank lot, in light of your commitment to an effective mass transport system, and to press assertively for that system.

Handwritten signature: Jim Westfall

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September 29, 1974
Wol letter or tape

Dear Commissioner Jordan,

I have been informed that the Burnside Transit Bank is making an application at your office for funds to continue and expand its programs.

I am a welfare worker in the West Multnomah Branch. I have extensive contacts in the Burnside area. My impression has been that the Transit Bank is providing very useful and needed services. The location is absolutely in the middle of the area requiring services; the services being provided now are: check room and locker facilities, the making of identification cards, the use of the address as a secure place to receive money, delousing, and a health nurse at the facility two afternoons a week.

Soon there will be legal aid volunteers and banking services. The banking services are very badly needed in the area. At present most Burnside area residents must cash their

checks at taverns and bars in the area. Then, after often paying a cashing fee, and paying off advances given for booze, the residents have a pocket full of cash and are easy prey to be rolled. As most of the persons who have been robbed are drinkers if not drunk, they simply cannot make a police complaint. You cannot walk into the police station while drunk and expect any satisfaction.

The Transit Bank intends to cash checks and keep as much money as possible in the accounts of the residents. Then they can withdraw the money gradually as needed. This will ensure that little of it will be available to be stolen.

I think that this entire concept is unique and is very needed in the area.

I hope that you will respond favorably to the request for funds by the Transit Bank.

yours truly,
Paul V. Back.

9121 S.W. 35th Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, 97219

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I am writing concerning
your wanting the City of
Portland to pay for a
Buick automobile. I think
that anyone with a \$27,000
income should buy his
own automobile!

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I will remember you
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Mrs C G Dietrich
1704 N E 56

Portland Or
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there is a economy due?

December 30, 1974

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Reverend Daniel C. Weber, S.J.
Religion Department Chairman
Jesuit High School
9000 S.W. Beaverton Highway
Portland, Oregon 97225

Dear Father Weber:

I recently received a copy of a letter that you had sent to the Oregonian concerning the testimony before the Council on December 18.

If the individual who identified himself as Father Gregory was in fact not a Roman Catholic Priest nor a member of the Society of Saint Thomas then you are correct in saying that the individual misrepresented himself before the City Council. It is often hard for the City Council to determine who an individual actually is or who they represent when they do appear before the City Council.

The Oregonian did accurately report my comments to that individual during the recess of the City Council. My feeling was that if this individual was a Roman Catholic Priest and had publicly come forward to support this issue which he felt important, particularly on a personal basis, I feel that is an extremely courageous act.

It would have made no difference to me whether this individual was a Roman Catholic Priest, a Jewish Rabbi, a local attorney, a carpenter, a brick layer or a truck driver had he honestly represented himself to the City Council, and my comments to him certainly in no way reflected negatively on the Roman Catholic Church.

I appreciate your bringing this matter to the attention of the Oregonian and myself and I thank you for your comments.

Sincerely,

CHARLES JORDAN
Commissioner of Public
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December 19, 1974

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Dear Editor:

Andrew Greeley in the FORUM for December 19, 1974 observes that people were upset with him because he said: "catholics are tired of being the "new niggers" - the scapegoats for everything that goes wrong in the country." He goes on to say members of the press repeat "stereotypes about Catholics which is indeed part of the conventional wisdom."

Thursday's Oregonian did the same. The paper printed the "intense moments" in the City Council meeting of December 18, 1974. They quoted a Roman Catholic priest, Fr. Gregory of the Society of St. Thomas, who rose to tell how "he had worked alongside other homosexual priests in social service programs and rejected, as prejudice, the contention that homosexuals are child molesters."

The facts are: There is no such person in the Roman Catholic priesthood in the United States, according to the Official Directory. Furthermore, there is no such order as the Society of St. Thomas in the Catholic Church. There is no such person as Fr. Gregory working as a Roman Catholic Priest in the state of Oregon. Why the quote "Roman Catholic" to identify what may well be an imposter? Is this good journalism? I think it points up the acuteness of the problem that Andrew Greeley writes about in today's FORUM. The catholics have become the "new niggers."

A further question arises: Who can come before our City Council and testify in the name of an organization. When a person is complimented by a Commissioner, as reported in the same article, for his courage in speaking out, I wonder whose testimony is heard. Something is sadly amiss. As a Roman Catholic priest, I think the Oregonian owes the local Catholic Church an apology and some front page retraction.

Sincerely,

Daniel C. Weber, S.J.

(Rev.) Daniel C. Weber, S.J.
Religion Department Chairman, Jesuit High School

cc: Most Rev. Cornelius Power, Archbishop of Portland
Mr. Neil Goldschmidt, Mayor of Portland
Mr. Charles Jordan, Commissioner

*As a Jesuit I was upset with the article. Now, in talking with the reporter, Dorothy Collins, I find that the man in question called her after I wrote this to say he was a "priest" in "The Assyrian Church of the East."
- Fr. Weber*

Carol:
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415 NW 21st Ave.
Portland, Ore. 97209
Dec. 6, 1974

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Dear Commissioner Jordan:

I am writing to urge you to vote in favor of resolution B209, which would protect gay people against discrimination in employment in city jobs.

I know the city council has heard all the reasons why such legislation is necessary, and I hope you are sensitive to these issues.

I also hope you will vote against putting this issue to a public referendum. I believe such a referendum has little chance of passing. Indeed, if a majority of people were against such discrimination, such a bill would not even be necessary. An analogous situation, of which I'm sure you're aware, is that the Congress passed legislation to protect black people against discrimination, in 1963. No doubt, were that issue put to a national referendum, it may have failed. It was precisely because of that danger that the legislation was necessary. The same case applies to the situation of gay people in Portland (and elsewhere) today.

I hope you will vote in favor

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of passage of bill 3209,

Very sincerely yours,
Jerome R. Harris
415 N.W. 21st Avenue
Portland, 97209

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Letter on tape

November 19, 1974

Dear Mr. Jordan

I am a member of the privileged class in this city and in our culture in general - specifically I am male, young, white and heterosexual. In recent years the people of this country have been working for changes to take away my privileges and make more of the benefits of our system available to all. Most recently the oppression of women has been in the public eye, and before that the oppression of racial minorities was the focal point of the struggle. Progress has been made in these areas despite the fact that we're a long way to go. However, the struggle of sexual minorities has not rallied the support previous struggles for civil rights have. I think that is because of the amount of conditioning our culture bombards us with - especially the conditioning straight men get on how negative a thing homosexuality is. Our fear (manifesting itself as disgust or hatred, etc.) of homosexuality tends to keep us (straight men) in the role of oppressor - the role the culture wants ~~to~~ us to retain. I am just now starting

to realize why I've always had negative feelings toward gay people (especially men) and I feel like I've been duped. Gay rights is simply a subset of human rights and I've finally gotten to the point where I realize that.

Let me add that the religious objections to gay rights are totally irrelevant. Do you consult the Bible on issues before the council? If so, why? The Bible does not speak for all people and besides I could find so-called theologians (I lived in their culture last year) who could argue a strong case against civil rights for blacks and women by quoting the Bible - and they believe it. Does that mean I should? or you should? I think not.

This is a case of civil rights for an oppressed minority - it shouldn't even be an issue. You campaigned by saying you were taking stands on hard issues. Here's a hard issue - for the sake of justice, please take the right stand.

Respectfully,
Bob Eckland
2206 1/2 SE Ankeny
Portland 97214

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December 4th, 1974

Mr. Christopher Hershey
729 S.E. 33rd Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97214

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Dear Mr. Hershey:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the issue of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. As you know, this is an issue that has been before the City Council several times in the last two years, and most recently about three weeks ago.

The resolution before the City Council asked the Council to institute a policy under which the City will not discriminate in employment practices, or use the issue of homosexuality as a cause for refusing to employ an individual or terminating an individual from a City position.

I support that resolution because I feel that the matter of sexual preference is an individual matter and one that does not affect job performance. My position on this issue is fairly clear. At the City Council meeting when it came before the City Council, I indicated that I was in favor of the issue, and will support the resolution, u but would in no way support the proposed initiative to put this matter to a vote of the people.

I would rather see this issue defeated by the City Council than to see the personal rights of individuals brought in to the public eye as it would be done in an intiaative effort.

In the next few weeks, the City Council will again reconsider this matter when the City Attorney returns a proposed ballot title for this issue to be placed on an election ballot. It is my intentot. at this time, to vote against including it on the election ballot.

I will support the resolution of non-discrimination against homo-
sexuals as introduced by Commissioner McCready.

I thank you for your concern on this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles Jördan
Commissioner of Public Safety

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729 SE 33rd Avenue
Portland, OR 97214

November 17, 1974

Comm. Charles Jordan
1220 SW 5th Avenue
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Comm. Jordan,

It is with mixed astonishment, disbelief and fury that I have been following the City Council's recent maneuvers regarding Resolution 3209, which would make illegal the city's present practice of discrimination in employment based on the employee's or applicant's sexual orientation. Astonishment and disbelief, because I was unaware that such great pools of brutal ignorance still engulf those areas of sexuality involving members of the same sex. In my work over the past years with several social agencies (Portland Development Commission, East-CAP, State Commission for the Blind, Children's Services) I have some in contact with many individuals who were homosexual. The generalized allegations I read as reported in the Oregonian (11/7/74) (that homosexual persons are child molesters, unnatural or sick) are much more than simplistic or crass; they are plainly untrue.

If you would take the trouble to do some intelligent reading on this issue, you would find that the child molestation charge leveled at the hearing is rooted in non-specific fears and not in facts. "Homosexuals are no more prone to seduce young boys than are heterosexual males to seduce young girls", states Hoffman.¹ Every study, report or investigation I have seen on the subject has demonstrated conclusively that the real offenders are heterosexual, often married. Even those cases involving older men and young boys cannot be generalized to the average homosexual. One study, done by the Institute for Sexual Research at Indiana University (Gebhard, et al., 1965) which involved 1500 persons arrested for various sexual offenses, pointed out that "those individuals who were arrested for sexual offenses with boys under 12 are the least oriented toward their own sex of all males arrested for homosexual acts...ultimately two-thirds will marry."²

¹Martin Hoffman, "Homosexuals and the Law", The Homosexual Dialectic, ed. Joseph A. McCaffrey, (Prentice Hall, Inc., 1972), p. 130.

²Ibid., p. 131f.

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Three days ago, while working with pre-school children in one of the city parks, a strange man approached one of our girls at play, touching her in a manner which was neither disguised nor discreet. Such a man, presumably, could become employed by the Park Department with no question offered toward his "moral character", yet such a person presents a very real threat of physical danger. His heterosexuality gives him a privilege in employment undeserved. A qualified and responsible homosexual woman or man, however, has not even protection for the right of employment. Such is the inequity you seek to perpetuate.

I dwell on child molestation by homosexuals since it was this accusation which was belabored so inaccurately at the hearing. Other points raised, such as the unnatural or sick character of sexual behavior between members of the same sex do not in my mind ever merit rebuttal- except to say that only when we begin accepting persons as whole beings and not casting them in cloistered roles by race, gender, sexual preference or any other category, will basic human rights become accessible and universal.

Resolution 3209 is one step toward such universality, and I strongly urge its support as a measure long overdue.

Sincerely,



Christopher Hershey

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415 NW 21st Avenue
 Portland, Oregon, 97209
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Commissioner Charles Jordan
 City Hall

Dear Mr. Jordan:

I would like to thank you for voting for resolution 3209, the bill which makes illegal discrimination in the hiring or firing of city employees on the basis of sexual orientation.

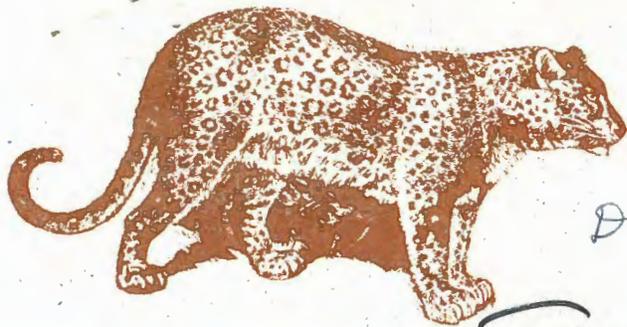
Your statements and questions during the council hearings indicated to me that you see through the myths and stereotypes which have oppressed gay people. I am sure you can and will be equally sensitive and courageous in any future issues that may arise regarding the civil rights of any minority group. I appreciate your support of this bill.

I will be sure to vote for you, as I did this past election, the next time you run for public office.

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With best wishes this holiday season,
 Jerome R. Harris



Leopard (*Felis pardus*).

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December 6, 1974

Send letter

Dear Commissioner Jordan,
Please support
the proposed city
ordinance protecting
the jobs of gay people
employed by the
City of Portland.
I realize that this
is a difficult decision
and one which takes
courage to make,

but the positive effects
it can have in supporting
the freedom of choice
and rights of minorities
is really the prime
consideration.

Very truly,
John W. Roddy
2135 N.E. 15th
Portland, 97212

COMMISSIONER CHARLES JORDAN
City of PORTLAND

December 19, 1974

Carol -
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Re: Calendar Item # 3644

DEAR COMMISSIONER JORDAN:

I would like to thank you for your affirmative vote yesterday on item # 3644, which promotes non-discrimination for the homosexual in city employment. In doing so you have granted the homosexual community a greater degree of human dignity and respect.

We appreciate your stand on this controversial subject and you may be assured of our support in the months to come.

Sincerely,

Larry Copeland

LARRY COPELAND
1017 S.W. MORRISON #204
PORTLAND, OR 97205

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Douglas Norseth
1831 SW Park #4107
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Dear Sir,

This is to express my appreciation for your vote Wednesday in support of the Job protection resolution for non-heterosexual people employed by the City of Portland and also for the three "nay" votes you made concerning referring the matter to the citizens of the city. You may be assured of having my support again in the upcoming elections.

Very sincerely,
Douglas P. Norseth

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Council issues

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January 3, 1975

Mr. Bob Eckland
Ms. Sue Southwell
2206 1/2 S. E. Ankeny
Portland, Oregon 97214

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the issue of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. As you know, this was an issue that had been before the City Council several times in the last two years.

The resolution before the City Council asked the Council to institute a policy under which the City would not discriminate in employment practices, or use the issue of homosexuality as a cause for refusing to employ an individual or terminating an individual from a City position.

I supported that resolution because I feel that the matter of sexual preference is an individual matter and one that does not affect job performance. My position on this issue was clear from the time the resolution was introduced. I was, therefore, very satisfied with the results of the voting on this issue.

Once again, thank you for your letter of concern. I always appreciate hearing about issues of interest to the citizens of Portland.

Sincerely,

Charles Jordan
Commissioner of Public Safety

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Dear Commissioner Jordan -

your support of justice for gay people will make you unpopular with many people ignorant and fearful of homosexuality. champions of social justice have often become ~~un~~ unpopular but that in no way diminishes the correctness of your position. Keep up the fight for social justice.

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Sincerely

Bob Eckland

Sue Santwell

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P.S. merry Christmas!

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February 5, 1975

Ms. Shirley J. Stone
P. O. Box 3261
Portland, Oregon 97208

Dear Ms. Stone:

I have received your letter regarding the zone change approved by Council at 815 S. E. 46th Avenue, last September. As you have noted, I voted for the zone change along with the other Commissioners, approving parking for 12 cars at the site in conjunction with a proposed office building behind the parking lot.

Mr. Tooze has done a fine job in the private redevelopment of S. E. 45th to 47th Avenues along Belmont Street. I understand many of his present and future tenants are from the State and County, and because of services they provide, generate a considerable amount of traffic.

My vote on this matter was made solely on the basis of a zone change request and did not take into consideration who the future tenants will be in the proposed office building. I have not, nor do I foresee, taking a position on the location of Multnomah County or State of Oregon social service programs.

I hope this addresses your concerns. Thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Charles Jordan
Commissioner of Public Safety

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P.O. Box 3261
Portland, Oregon
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Kathy: are this group facts correct? Would you draft a letter.
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Office of Commissioner Charles A. Jordan
City Hall
1220 S.W. Fifth Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97201

Sirs:

I am in receipt of a letter from the Oregon Department of Human Resources, concerning the development process of its southeast Portland Facility, which reads in part:

His [Mr. Tooze] assurance of the project has been presented to and approved by various local groups such as . . . the Portland City Council.

His [Mr. Tooze] office has received special commendations from the Mayor, the City Council, and other local groups on the splendid work done in this complex. Supporters of his work include Mayor Colwell, council members Milares Schwab, Charles Jordan, Frank Ivantie and the Planning Commission.

I know that Commissioner Jordan voted in favor of an R5 to ~~MB~~ zone change on the proposed site but I have read the minutes of the Council meetings concerning this zone change (August 28, September 11 and 18, 1974) and I do not notice that the Council has approved the project.

I would like to know:

Facility not relevant to zone change

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1. Does Commissioner Jordan believe Belmont between S.E. 45th and 47th Avenues to be the site of choice for the location of the state's southeast Facility and the County's southeast quadrant (including a food stamp distribution office)?

2. Has Commissioner Jordan publicly supported this location? If so, please advise me how I may secure a copy of such statements.

Thank you.

Best sincerely,

Shirley J. Stone
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Larry J. Parmenter

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Multnomah County Commissioner
Portland, Oregon

Dear *Mr. Mosee*

The high-handed manner in which Mr. Clark has decided to close Edgefield Manor is unbelievable. It appears from his own announcements that the board as a whole was not consulted. Of course, he is manipulating the lives of non-voters. By just being in nursing homes people are disenfranchized.

The county was able to purchase the Hoyt Hotel for several hundred thousand dollars only to have it stand idle. The board was able to finance a golf course to be used by the elite who can afford to play golf. The city and county are both concerned with providing better care for animals at the zoo and dog pound. More time, money, and planning are going into the state's field-burning problem, than are going into the care of needy people. That is because seed growers have money to use for influence. County and city commissioners are able to spend. no one knows how much, money for cars, trips, and petty arguements.

It is true that in time Edgefield Manor will be phased out, but \$400,000 is a pittance compared to the partial list of expenditures in the previous paragraph.

If that amount were used to upgrade the Edgefield facility, time would be brought for legal and proper proceedings to transfer welfare care to the state.

Mr. Clark proposes \$3.00 a month to be added to daily welfare cost if people are put in private, profit-making nursing homes. Why not add that \$3.00 to Edgefield, since Mr. Clark stated that welfare people in nursing homes could not expect the same quality of care as those paying \$400 to \$600 a month.

Mr. Clark's educational training should have taught him that the majority of the people at Edgefield would be delighted and their morale lifted by just having workers improving their home. Older people adapt to change more quickly than children.

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To be personal, I have visited more than a dozen nursing homes in the last three years, and Edgefield is the only one really doing its job. One patient I visit there had her money stolen, beside other incidents, while she was at Eastport Nursing Home. It was properly closed by the state last summer.

From Mr. Clark's autocratic actions it appears that a city-county merger is long past due. Possibly then the in-fighting of the two boards could in some way be governed by the people who provide the money the boards spend, since the governor maintains that the state cannot do anything about inequities in the counties.

It might be advisable to look into the reasons back of Mr. Clark's dictatorial decision. A large development on that attractive Edgefield property may already be in the planning.

Many people undoubtedly will remember Mr. Clark's reaction to, and abuse of, power at the next election.

Margaret E. Yearout

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state senator and representative
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Mrs. P. H. Yearout
5826 N. Moore
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Arthur Mueller

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Portland, Oregon

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Troutdale, Oregon.

There is no other facility equal to this Home
to care for people that are unable to maintain
their existence without help.

It is unique in its particular social, recreation,
craft and work programs in giving its occupants
a chance to have a purpose to live from day to day.

It is an Example for other such programs to be
promoted rather than deleted.

I implore you to find a way to Save this Home
for the unfortunate ones that find a refuge there and
others that will need it in the future.

Please help to avert this tragedy. Sincerely,
Mrs. Beth Mueller
715 N.E. 64th Ave.
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7053 S. E. Pine St.
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Dear Sir,

This letter is in PROTEST to the closure of Edgefield Manor, Troutdale, Oregon.

Edgefield Manor should not be closed because of it's tremendous program and outstanding care given to the handicapped and elderly people of Oregon.

Edgefield is the only real HOME to these people and it would be a sin before God to close this facility.

I'm praying that you might help, through your political office, to prevent the closure from happening.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Schmundt & Ella M. Schmundt

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There is no private nursing home or other type of facility available, that offers so much in the way of personal care and attention, social life, recreation and craft programs for the elderly and unfortunate citizens.

There, they have a purpose in their life rather than just existing. It should be an example to follow, and surely a means could be found, to provide funds to continue and maintain its present program in the years to come.

It would be sad to take away so much, from so many, who have found happiness there.

Please try to do whatever you can, to avoid this tragedy.

Sincerely
Frieda M. Coppenhaver
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