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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **30TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2006** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Potter, Presiding; Commissioners Adams and Sten, 3.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Harry Auerbach, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Gary Crane, Sergeant at Arms.

		Disposition:
DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS NO EMERGENCY ORDINANCES WERE CONSIDERED THIS WEEK AND ITEMS WERE NOT HEARD UNDER A CONSENT AGENDA		
COMMUNICATIONS		
1140 Request of Bruce Broussard to address Council regarding Portland Public Schools and City budget (Communication)		PLACED ON FILE
1141 Request of Nina Rhea to address Council regarding Terrorism Task Force status and our safety (Communication)		PLACED ON FILE
1142 Request of Rob Ruedy to address Council regarding City RFP and RFQ processes and city services competition (Communication)		PLACED ON FILE
1143 Request of John Ryan to address Council regarding Bureau Innovation Project concerns (Communication)		PLACED ON FILE
1144 Request of Melissa Haugen to address Council regarding the Love Rally at Pioneer Square (Communication)		PLACED ON FILE
REGULAR AGENDA		
Mayor Tom Potter		
Bureau of Planning		
1145 Accept Historic Preservation Fund grant of \$17,500 to support the City historic resources program (Ordinance)		PASSED TO SECOND READING SEPTEMBER 6, 2006 AT 9:30 AM
Office of Management and Finance – Bureau of General Services		

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1146 Amend contract with MCA Architects to provide additional architectural and engineering consulting services for the remodel of Fire Stations 15, 24, and 43 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 35694)	PASSED TO SECOND READING SEPTEMBER 6, 2006 AT 9:30 AM
Commissioner Sam Adams Office of Transportation 1147 Grant revocable permit to Portland Center Stage to close NW Davis Street between NW 9th and NW 11th Avenues on October 1, 2006 (Second Reading Agenda 1120) (Y-3)	180404
Commissioner Dan Saltzman Office of Cable Communications and Franchise Management 1148 Extend revocable permit for Communication Management Services, LLC to install, maintain and operate public telephones on City streets (Second Reading Agenda 1125; amend Ordinance No. 177928) (Y-3)	180405
Parks and Recreation 1149 Authorize acceptance of donation of a parcel of land from the Diack Trust for property adjacent to Council Crest Park (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING SEPTEMBER 6, 2006 AT 9:30 AM

At 10:09 a.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

For a discussion of agenda items, please consult the following Closed Caption File.

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<p><u>WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, AUGUST 31, 2006</u></p> <p>DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA THERE WAS NO MEETING</p>	
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Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting

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Potter: We know that when the children are well in a village or a city, that the city is well. We do know that this year there's 120,000 children in Oregon without health insurance. That we are in the top five in terms of children going to bed hungry at night. So we know we have a lot of work in front of us, and we invite experts in, and today we've invited some experts that are part of the no ivy league removal project. So mya, ashley, bruno, and kevin, will you please come forward? The ivy removal project began as a demonstration project in 1993, linking summer youth employment, the need to save the native habitat, especially trees and forest -- in forest park from the ravages of ivy. The metro central station enhancement fund supported a two-year demonstration project, very quickly youth leadership shaped the issues that inspired community involvement. The project has become a significant information resource and agent for changing community attitudes. Thank you all for being here this morning. Would you speak, would you please introduce yourself? Who's going to begin?

Mai Duong: Good morning, mayor Potter and city commissioners. My name is mai duong, and this is my third summer with the ivy removal project. This group provides jobs to youth in our community and helps to make them feel satisfied that they have a way to help the environment. One such example is the group that created these maps. This is our summer youth crew map for this year. This board shows all the sites that we've worked at. And we've worked approximately 13 or -- to 15 sites. Our three major sites this year were -- working at the intersection of burnside and wildwood trail, also at -- on sam jackson road right before ohsu, and in Washington park on southwest kingston drive by the rose garden. So this summer we had saved approximately 1,000 trees, and have pulled approximately 68,000 square feet of ground pull. That's our summer map. This is our cumulative map. This map shows all the sites that are located in forest park, each red dot representing a site, a work site. And it also shows the extent of ivy that is located in forest park. And we also have a packet on the other side that contains data on how many times each site has been visited by a volunteer group or a youth corps group. So both of these maps are created by youth crew members, and so a summer crew map is created every year, and then the cumulative map is updated every year. Besides doing ivy removal, we also do educational activities, and -- one such activity is taking out groups on an educational hike on the trails. We usually do plant and animal i.d. And we also provide a history of the park to them. We also do educational activities among the youth crew, and they usually happen on fridays. Some of the activities we partake in are -- is the tour of the world forestry center, and a wilderness hike during our annual camping trip, and contrasting a place in the forest where ivy has completely dominated and a place in the -- in forest park where there is no ivy, where it's all nice and noisy. That's it. Thank you for your time.

Potter: Thank you.

Adams: Good work.

Ashley Vasniak: Good morning, mayor Potter and city commissioners. My name is ashley, i'm a first year member of the no ivy league youth crew 2006. This is scrapbook number 10. As you can

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see, there are numerous pictures and documentation -- sorry, it's upside down. There we are. Numerous pictures and documentation not only of the crew, but of also past volunteers and work parties we've worked with. These work parties and volunteers include girls incorporated, starbucks, building bridges, albertina kerr, rejuvenation, r.e.i. and freelancers. We are role models and mentors to these groups because we know what we are doing, and we ask -- we show them how to remove ivy and other invasive species of the and we've also inspired other community members such as employees at ohsu on sam jackson road, and we're working there, and they were driving by, they saw us working and they were inspired to continue the work that we started, and they're very dedicated group, so hopefully that will go through. Also there was a regular park user who would walk his dog every day in Washington park, and we were working by the train tracks by these -- and he saw it and he was also inspired by us to continue the work, and so that's another way how we have inspired the community. And just this past summer we've written over 30 thank you letters to numerous volunteers, work groups, and even city members who have helped us further our initiative and who have been a great help to us in the past. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you.

Kevin McWhirter: Good morning, mayor and city council members. My name is kevin, and i'm one of the assistant crew leaders this year. Our other assistant crew leader is matt parker, who is sitting behind us. This right here is our example of one of our queued does boards. This is just one of the ways that our project ties in the development of employability skills, leadership, and teamwork into our seven-week program. The employability skills we like to work on are working with other people, and also in a diverse group. Developing leadership skills such as responsibility, self-motivation, and the one that's showcased by this is being able to recognize and acknowledge the positive traits in others. And one of the most important leadership skills of course is being able to actually lead a group. And we give our members an opportunity to help lead a group of volunteers, such as our freelancers that come out on saturdays, or one of the groups that ashley mentioned, and what's interesting is those -- some of those groups are all adult groups. So you have giving youth an opportunity to lead adults. We also like to work on teamwork and another way we give leadership opportunities and incorporate teamwork is having our crew members work on site documentation. At the end of every day of our work sites. Instead of having the crew leaders work on those, the crew members are encouraged to work together and overall our project fosters skills that serve our crew members well for the rest of their lives, and community also, and not just for a summer. Thank you for your time.

Potter: Thank you.

Adams: Thank you.

Bruno Preciozzi: Hi. Mr. Mayor, city commissioners, my name is bruno, a no ivy alum. Over here I brought as an example one of the ivy vine that's we've taken off a tree. It's one of the many, and you'll probably be surprised to know it's one of the smaller ones we've taken off the trees. I first joined the ivy removal project as a youth volunteer quite a while ago, and then went on to become a crew member, and then an intern and a crew mentor. And in that time i've seen many young people pass through the project in various respect as crew members and growing with the project to become crew leaders, and I think one of the most I guess one of the common changes i've seen in the crew members is one that has been highlighted by other speakers is their growth as leaders. Not because they have gotten older or because they gave -- learned to give orders, but because they learned to communicate with a diverse group of people, and because they learned to make decisions to problems that didn't have necessarily a right answer. And make compromises. These crew members have gone on to be role models in just in the community, whether it's, for example, like alex johnson, who he just received his masters in public policy and is now serving as an intern with a congressional black caucus. We had another crew member who was going through some hardships as he worked with us as a crew member, and now has actually been nominated to be a

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rhodes scholar, yet another -- and anna, she's finished a tour with the opera in san francisco. I myself am just finishing my engineering studies at Portland state university, and one of the things that really hit me was as I was taking the class wasn't so much the material -- wasn't the importance of the material that I was taking, but in just the intrinsic things I learned. The importance of making decisions and learning to make compromises is one of the things you use every day on the job. Regardless of what field you're in. And I think this process has served me well in teaching me those skills. Thank you.

Adams: Thank you.

McWhirter: Also thank you very much for your time today, and we'd like to present all three of you with our symbol of our no ivy league hall of fame. This is a.j., he was one of our crew members this year and this is his first year on the crew.

Potter: I think for a lot of folks perhaps watching this they think of english ivy as something that's pretty that grows up the side of a cottage. Tell us what this plant does, and use this illustration you brought with us to tell what it does to a tree in forest park.

Precciozzi: Well, essentially what ivy does is it's called an invasive plant because it takes over the habitat by drowning out other native plants. And one of the main -- its main tactics is growing up trees and into the canopy, and weighing down the tree. It's not a parasite, but it's more of an aggressive competitor, where it will grow up the tree and take resources that the tree needs, and also provide extra weight that damages the tree, especially during the winter when it's windy and increasing the likelihood of blow-downs and toppling the tree. And after that it's just a sequence of just kind of the domino effect. When you lose a canopy, you lose a lot of the forest, and you lose the ground cover, and then other invasive plants come in to take over that are not as shade tolerant as ivy, such as blackberry, morning glory, clematis, etc. So it's -- ivy is one of the first steps in sort of a systematic breakdown of the forest environment, and it's really an important job what we're doing to preserve the health of the forest park.

Potter: Could you have the rest of your crew stand up so we can recognize them as well? Don't these folks do a great job? Let's give them a hand. [applause] thank you for being here this morning. We really appreciate it.

*******:** Thank you, mayor.

Potter: I also want to thank the Portland parks and recreation, their city nature program is the one that is the guiding force behind this. They do a great job. Thank you. I'll wear my no ivy league hat proudly. Before we begin -- I guess I better call to order. [gavel pounded] city council will come to order. [roll call]

Potter: Before we have communications, I want to make an announcement. I'd like to remind folks that prior to offering public testimony to city council, a lobbyist must declare which lobbying entity he or she is authorized to represent. With that, let's begin with communications.

Item 1140:

Bruce Broussard: Bruce broussard. I'd like to commend commissioner Adams for your good work on the whole issue of the wal-mart piece, and I think it's still indicates that we are pro business in this city and hopefully the issue that you bring up talks to accountability for both business and citizens. So thank you very much. To give you an update in regards to Portland public schools, I had the opportunity to be at jefferson high school yesterday to meet principal dudley, the new principal, one who I had a concern with regards of his background, renee mitchell, she basically introduced the article and subsequently paige parker and scott learn also put a couple of pieces out. And I really think it helped there. Were parents out there and it was really neat to be there with them, naturally they're still concerned about the curriculums that are there and the like, and mr. Dudley is from texas, I happen to be from texas, but I was born through louisiana in the new orleans and whatever, but the bottom line is I think -- like I said, we're going to be with this guy, so i'm going to have to be on board and work with him. And we're all going to have to work with him.

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And I would encourage you to see if you could have him come before the council and let the other - let other citizens get a feel for who he is and what he's all about. That's one piece. The other side of it, I gave you a copy of the latest tribune, there's an in-depth article on the whole issue of the custodians. It will give you a better feel, I would encourage the viewers and the folks who are in the council to pick up a copy, because I've been on this issue for about four years, and it really gives you a good insight in terms of what the issues are. And the concern I have is as you know, the Portland public schools will have to come up with a levy, they need nice dollars, and there's no inclusion, if you will, to solving the problem of making these people whole, and I think it would be something that we need to also educate the public because as I walk around canvassing in my particular aspect of it running for the third congressional district for congress, I find 85% of the people are not feeling good about this new levy that's going to be imposed because of the history of the I tax and things of that nature. So I think it's going to be very, very important to hopefully resolve this issue one way or the other before november 7, because otherwise I don't think we're going to get those much-needed dollars for those -- for the Portland public schools. So that's my position on that end of it, and in -- for those of us -- those of you listening and viewing us at this point in time, you can tune in on channel 11 on friday and saturday, friday on channel 23, on channel 23 on friday to get a better -- more feel, faces, if you will, of custodians. I had them on last week and it repeats saturday again at 5:00 on channel 23 -- 22 on friday. Again, thank you very much. It's a pleasure. Please call the next name.

Item 1141. (did not come)

Item 1142.

Potter: When you speak, please state your name for the record. You have three minutes.

Rob Ruedy: Rob ruedy. Good morning, good to see you again, mayor Potter, commissioners. Although the city has made great strides in thwarting discrimination on many levels. I want to share the reality that it is still alive and allowed to thrive in a particular avenue of city and regional business practices. I've been noticing in the process of my business start-up a number of deficiencies in the r.f.p. and the request for qualifications or r.f.q. processes for city procurement of services. We all want the city that works to work for all, the reality is from a procurement prospective, it doesn't seem to be working as well as it could be. And although the city has made an effort the im-- in improvement, there's still discrimination occurring. When an r.f.p. is released for response, the time line created for response is critical to diversity and fairness to all businesses across the board. What is actually happening is that there's currently inadequate time being allowed for small businesses to respond. This inadvertently allows for favoritism towards larger firms who have marketing personnel under department that's are able to respond quickly, leaving smaller businesses that don't have such amenities to be left out of the competition. Shorter lead times also favor firms that have preliminary knowledge of the r.f.p. or r.f.q. This is not in the best interests of the city or its use of tax revenue since the city procures higher priced firms to provide many times lower quality results. It also discourages the formation and/or the retention of minority, women, and emerging small businesses in both our city and state. The problems currently existing can be remedied by simple procedural changes. Typical example is a recent r.f.p. for the Portland fire bureau for their seismic upgrade of fire stations. It was originally written and released allowing an adequate three-week time frame for all competitors to respond. See attached exhibit a, item 1. It was shortened to a two-week period overall which then did not allow prospective respondents to complete their responses. When an r.f.p. deadline is shortened it affects the ability of a firm to comprehensively respond prior to it being closed. My firm was unable to make the shortened deadline but would have easily made the original deadline. For my -- from my perspective, this seems to fall into the category of unfair business practices and is not in the best interests of all competitors. Request is made that council look into these issues plus suggested remedies and make the corrections necessary to ensure fair and competitive opportunities for all work related to the city

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and its businesses. The basic request is simple -- a fair and impartial competition. Also requested is that the specific Portland fire and rescue r. f.p. currently in the review phase be cancelled and reissued for a fair bidding process. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you very much.

Adams: Thanks for taking the time to assemble the information.

*******:** It took a little while.

Item 1143.

Potter: Please state your name for the record and you have three minutes.

John Ryan: Good morning. My name is John Norman Ryan, II. Thank you for taking the time to hear testimony today and for the betterment of Portland. I'm going to go through some of the slides very quickly due to compression of time. I have been involved with bureau innovation projects eight and nine. I was formerly an engineer. And I've been writing about corporate change for about 10 years now. I wrote a document called the innovation culture, a gateway, gave that to Mayor Katz in March 2004. And that's become evidently part of the bureau innovation projects, and I appreciate that very much. This becomes a life threatening situation for me, and to explain that in three minutes is probably not possible. I do have a request that I be allowed to present some proof in a proper and probably documented forum. You're likely to be exposed to some of these things. There have been a number of staged incidents over the year. And this relates directly to bureau of innovation project number nine. I don't wish to point fingers at people. I've been trying to make Portland and my life a better place. I think this is a wonderful city. It's the place I've always wanted to live since I was little, and I moved here very purposely. So you ask, why is all of this happening? My parents are actually sadists, and I've prepared some documentation, one is a four-page document explaining a little bit about that, and the impact on bureau innovation projects. And please read that, because my entire future and ironically my past depends on that. And moving forward beyond this. And this goes into a little bit about sadism. And again, there's some finger pointing here, and I don't see given the things that have happened, and I have a pretty good email trail, that there's anything but outside interference here. And again, this is a bit unpleasant, but I'd like to move beyond that and continue my work. I had written a specification, there's some people actually here that were involved. The reason my name becomes important is my name was changed when I was a few days old and evidently my mother is using my other name to help destroy my credibility. And there's a number of things that would -- that you may be exposed to. So I have some recordings and some other people that are involved, and I would like a proper forum to express that. It becomes very important, and it's actually a matter of life and death. Right now I'm pretty much ruined, and I won't go into that, but what I would like to do is promote a win-win solution, and that's to have a meeting with a proper advocate, a chance to fix and repair some bridges that have been burned and burning in bureau of innovation project number nine. I think it's a tremendous opportunity for learning --

Potter: Mr. Ryan, your time is up.

Ryan: Ok. Thank you very much for your time.

Potter: Give your papers to the council clerk.

*******:** Thank you very much for your time.

Potter: Thank you.

Item 1144:

Potter: Good morning. When you speak, please state your name for the record and you have three minutes.

Melissa Haugen: Good morning Mayor Potter, Sam Adams, and Commissioner Erik Sten. I spoke in front of you gentlemen on probably the 27th of April in regards to invisible children. It was an event we did in Pioneer Square. And now we're in the middle of our Love Rally event, which is the fourth year we've done this in Pioneer Square. The Love Rally is an awareness campaign, if you will,

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to raise awareness among young people about the different issues that are taking place in the world.

The speakers we have this year actually are amnesty international, the one campaign, the aclu, invisible children, and veterans for peace. It's an event that we have been doing indirect -- in direct reaction to september 11th. We saw in that exact moment there was going to be a lot of need for this idea of peace, love, and prosperity in the world, and we feel Portland is a great place to hone that. The reason i'm speaking in front of the city council today and will continue to do this is because there seems to be a pretty big disconnection among youth with that -- the possibility that they could actually make change and connect with government officials. Last year we actually had a really nice letter sent to us by mayor Potter that we read at the love rally. We were working with hurricane katrina relief at that time as well. What we're hoping is by continuing to ask the city to get involved in small ways, that we're going to change this view, this opinion of government structure being something of a structural forum as opposed to individuals actually deciding that they want to make change. They want to give up their life. That you're real live people actually concerned about the issues of the world and issues of our city. I think that does, by bringing these young people here, you can see the pride in their faces after this was done. And I think what it allows is for the sense that I do have a voice, I have an opportunity to make change, I want to get involved, and get involved in our country, just in general. There's a lot of dissolutionment as far as whether or not there's a possibility to actually create change in our country. What we would like from our city commissioners is -- unfortunately one of our members is not able to be here today because she is working, but what we're creating at this event is something called our community art project, where we're asking all participants to get involved. And it's going to be a large puzzle board. And each piece is going to represent from the individual the answer to the question, what does peace look like to you. And our intention today was to bring each of you a piece of the puzzle to actually fill in that we can create the puzzle board. We're going to be displaying this in community areas after it's finished. We're actually in pursuit of trying to get into city hall as well. So what I will do is later today i'll be bringing those pieces of the puzzle to each of your offices and whether it's just a few words that you write in there, just on your opinion of peace, whatever it is, it will be placed in the middle of this puzzle, it will be shown to the young people that will be attending this event that our city does indeed care about what we care about. And we hope actually I think in about two weeks we'll come back and bring that piece of the puzzle here for you to see, and to tell you how the love rally went.

Potter: Thank you.

Adams: Thank you very much.

Moore: That's all the communications.

Potter: We'll go to the consent agenda. Do any of the commissioners wish to pull any items from the consent agenda --

Moore: We don't have a consent today.

Potter: No time certain, either.

Moore: No.

Potter: Let's just go to the regular agenda.

Item 1145.

Potter: Staff? Planning bureau, they're accepting some funds. Thank you, folks.

Adams: I move acceptance.

Potter: It moves to a second reading. We'll hear the details next week. Please read the next item.

Item 1146.

John Acker: My name is john acker, with the office of management and finance business operations. This ordinance is to amend the contract of m.c.a. architects. They've been doing work on fire stations. We've joined a number of fire stations together to do remodel, and the amendment is for an additional \$9,500 to do design work for some concrete situation, fire station 15 that was

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not apparent in the -- when we originally let the contract, and we're make something changes at the fire bureau's request, and some of the finishes in the other stations.

Adams: Thanks, john.

Potter: Thank you. Any questions from the commissioners? Thanks, john. I assume for these two that there have been no sign-up sheet.

Moore: No.

Potter: Nonemergency, moves to a second reading.

Item 1147.

Potter: This is a second reading, vote only. Please call the roll.

Adams: Aye.

Sten: Aye.

Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read item 1148.

Item 1148.

Potter: Second reading, vote only. Please call the roll.

Adams: Aye.

Sten: Aye.

Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read item 1149.

Item 1149.

Potter: Park staff?

Riley Whitcomb: Good morning mayor, commissioners. Riley whitcomb with Portland parks. We are -- we were approached by frances diack about accepting this parcel of land, a donation, they wanted to give us a little under an acre near council crest park. It fits into our wildlife corridor management plan and our natural areas, and we have performed due diligence on it, found it acceptable, and are requesting council to accept the donation. Any questions?

Potter: Questions? Thank you. This is a nonemergency, moves to a second reading. Council is adjourned until next week. [gavel pounded]

At 10:09 a.m., Council adjourned.