



CITY OF
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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS 30TH DAY OF MARCH, 2011 AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Commissioner Leonard, Presiding; Commissioners Fish, Fritz and Saltzman, 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Roland Iparraguirre, Deputy City Attorney; and Pat Kelley, Sergeant at Arms.

Item No. 286 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION	Disposition:
Mayor Sam Adams	
279 Appoint Linda Barnes and Dave Spitzer to the Building Code Board of Appeal for partial terms to expire February 21, 2012 (Report) (Y-4)	CONFIRMED
Bureau of Planning & Sustainability	
280 Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement for 2011-13 with Portland State University in the amount of \$119,500 to execute the Single Family Weight Study for the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (Second Reading Agenda 267) (Y-4)	184479
Bureau of Transportation	
*281 Amend contract with Oregon State Bridge Construction for Change Order No. 17 for removal and disposal of contaminated media for the Leadbetter Overcrossing Project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000684) (Y-4)	184480
*282 Authorize and award a grant to Portland Business Alliance in the amount of \$30,000 to implement the Downtown Retail Strategy (Ordinance) (Y-4)	184481
283 Grant revocable permit to St. Johns Boosters Inc. to close N Philadelphia Ave between N Lombard St and N Ivanhoe St from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on May 14, 2011 (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM

<p>284 Grant revocable permit to Terrapin Events to close SW Salmon St between SW Naito Pkwy and SW 2nd Ave and SW 1st Ave between SW Taylor St and SW Main St and SW Taylor St between Naito Parkway and 2nd Ave from 5:00 p.m. on May 7, 2011 until 2:00 p.m. on May 8, 2011 (Second Reading Agenda 271)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184482</p>
<p>Office of Emergency Management</p>	
<p>*285 Authorize the application to the Department of Homeland Security for a grant in the amount of \$7,178,800 to plan for terrorism events and natural disasters through planning, training and equipping First Responders (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184483</p>
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p>	
<p>*286 Authorize a sole source contract with Compass Computing Group, Inc. for applications software programming services, maintenance and updates for the Revenue Bureau tax applications software not to exceed \$530,000 (Ordinance)</p> <p>Motion to amend to strike Directive b. reference to Chief Procurement Officer: Moved by Commissioner Fritz and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. (Y-4)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184491 AS AMENDED</p>
<p>*287 Change the salary range for the Nonrepresented classification of Water Quality Manager (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184484</p>
<p>Commissioner Nick Fish Position No. 2</p>	
<p>Portland Housing Bureau</p>	
<p>*288 Accept a grant in the amount of \$513,600 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for administration of the regional Homeless Management Information System and OTIS supportive housing programs (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184485</p>
<p>Commissioner Dan Saltzman Position No. 3</p>	
<p>Bureau of Environmental Services</p>	
<p>289 Authorize a contract with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc. for design service for the Underground Injection Control Project No. E10175 (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>290 Authorize a contract and provide for payment for the construction of the Mason Flats Wetland Enhancement Project No. E07155 (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>

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<p>291 Authorize the Bureau of Environmental Services to acquire certain easements and other real property interests necessary for construction of the Mason Flats Wetland Enhancement Project No. E07155 through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain Authority (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Bureau of Fire and Police Disability and Retirement</p>	
<p>*292 Amend contract with Data Management Consultants, Inc. for computer systems design, maintenance and programming services of the Bureau of Fire and Police Disability and Retirement (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 51720) (Y-4)</p>	<p>184486</p>
<p>Commissioner Randy Leonard Position No. 4</p>	
<p>Bureau of Water</p>	
<p>293 Amend contract with Stettler Supply Company to increase compensation and scope of work for Columbia South Shore Wellfield Improvements (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001041)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>294 Authorize the Portland Water Bureau to execute grants with community partners to fund lead poisoning prevention programs (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>REGULAR AGENDA</p> <p>Mayor Sam Adams</p> <p>Bureau of Transportation</p>	
<p>295 Vacate the alley between Blocks 23 and 24, Arlington Heights subject to certain conditions and reservations (Second Reading Agenda 276; VAC-10071) (Y-4)</p>	<p>184487</p>
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p>	
<p>296 Authorize general obligation bonds for fire vehicles and emergency response infrastructure (Ordinance) Motion to remove emergency clause: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Leonard. (Y-4)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED APRIL 6, 2011 AT 9:30 AM</p>

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<p>*297 Amend contract with G4S Secure Solutions USA, Inc. to renew contract, add new service facilities and increase contract by \$1,582,054 to provide for uniformed security officers services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 40997)</p> <p>Motion to amend ordinance to remove Finding 14. and Directive b. regarding future amendments: Moved by Commissioner Fritz and seconded by Commissioner Fish. (Y-4)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184488 AS AMENDED</p>
<p>*298 Amend contract with MCA Architects, PC to increase contract by an additional \$12,077 to provide additional architectural and engineering services for Fire Station 18 seismic upgrade and remodel (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30000809)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184489</p>
<p>Commissioner Nick Fish Position No. 2</p> <p>Bureau of Housing and Community Development</p>	
<p>299 Approve, deny and terminate Single Family New Construction Limited Tax Abatements from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 (Resolution)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>36850</p>
<p>*300 Amend contract with Triad Technology Group to add \$113,000 for the project and transition management of the implementation of the Housing Development Software system (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30001652)</p> <p>Motion to amend Directive a. to strike “Bureau Director” and add “Chief Procurement Officer”: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. (Y-4)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>184490 AS AMENDED</p>

At 10:52 a.m., Council adjourned.

LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADE
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

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WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, MARCH 30, 2011

**DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA
THERE WAS NO MEETING**

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Leonard: We'll come to order. Karla, call the roll.

[roll call]

Leonard: Before we start the regular agenda, we do have a proclamation for road work safety awareness week. Which is April 4th through 8th, and we have Tim Langdon from PBOT and captain Todd Wyatt and one of our road workers. Can they come forward? And you want me to read the proclamation first or after you guys are done? What's your preference.

Tim Langdon, Bureau of Transportation: I think I would rather do our bit and then you can do yours, if that's all right.

Leonard: Very well. Introduce yourselves.

Langdon: Hello, commissioners, I'm Tim Langdon I'm a general mechanic with the Bureau of Transportation and two of our night shift, Stanley Dannis and Randy Downing brought the local road work awareness. We are all supportive of increased public safety awareness for the road workers and emergency workers and the traveling public. Fostering a safe and healthy work environment is a priority for our safety committee. Most think of workplaces as having four walls but for many of us, the roads and bridges and sewers are our workplaces. Work zones are no place for impatience or aggressive driving. We want to get the message out to the public that most of the people killed in the work zones are drivers and their passengers, not the workers. How people drive in work zones has a direct impact on their safety and their passengers and we ask every motorist in the work zone as if it's their parent, spouse, child or friend. It might be someone you know out there. Slow down and be alert and proceed with caution. We wish, too, everyone would recognize the road workers are out there doing our job. Not trying to inconvenience anyone. After all, work zones are there because we're trying to improve the streets to create better transportation for everyone. The signs and directions by the flaggers, the reduced speed in the work zones is intended to get everyone where they need to go as quickly and safely as possible. Remember, there are real people out there among the orange cones and we care that everyone makes it safely to and from work. It's everyone's job to pay attention. Thank you for your supporting road work safety awareness week here in Portland.

Leonard: Gentlemen?

Todd Wyatt, Portland Police Bureau: My name is Todd Wyatt, I'm the captain of the Portland Police traffic division. I'll keep my comments short. I wanted to let you know I was very pleased when asked to come down here and say a couple of words about road work safety awareness. I never miss an opportunity to speak to folks and talk about traffic safety. The officers I work with in the traffic division in the Portland Police Bureau we respond to all traffic fatalities in the city of Portland and when I pause for a moment and close my eyes, I can still see the little firemen rain boots left at Interstate and Lombard this fall when we rushed a little boy to the hospital hoping he would survive and when it's quiet in a room, I can still hear the cries of family members when we have to tell them that their loved ones have been killed in a traffic crash and you don't forget those things. I'd like everyone to know every time we have a traffic injury, a traffic fatality in the city of Portland, it was preventable. Every single one of them. Somebody could have done something to prevent that. So as we head into road work safety awareness week, I want to thank my fellow citizens in the city of Portland who maintain our roads and do a fantastic job and I wish them safety

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and success in their future and I would like to ask everybody to drive sober, turn off their phones when they get in the car and slow down. Their neighbors and other citizens of the city of Portland are out there and nobody wants to injure someone else in a traffic crash. Thank you for listening to us.

Leonard: Thank you, captain.

Fish: If I can respond to one thing the captain said. My daughter and I were coming back from a soccer game recently in a sister jurisdiction and a police officer had pulled someone over to the curb and had flashing lights on and we did what we think was appropriate. Reduced our speed. But there were two lanes on our road and it was busy, but we did not switch lanes. We stayed in the inner lane and passed the police officer. Well, about three or four blocks later, the police officer pulled me over and came up and did not give me a ticket but a friendly reminder and I think -- I don't know whether this is widely known but it's worth repeating, when there's a officer on the side of the road, the rule is not only to reduce speed but if possible safely, to switch lanes so you do not - - pass the officer on the outside lane and I was pleased to get reminded and pleased not to get a ticket -- [laughter] -- it's worth reminding people.

Leonard: You don't need anymore of those on your record.

Fish: Thank you for your testimony.

Randy Downing, Bureau of Transportation: I'm Randy Downing and I would like to thank the laborers 43, the Portland Bureau of Transportation and the maintenance operations division, Ms. Kahn, our director and Richard Herington, our safety manager, Tim, head of our safety committee. And you, the members of this -- this commission and the -- our mayor for bringing this to the awareness of the public. It's an important issue and I thank you very much and hope we can continue this in years to come.

Leonard: Thank you, each, for your really powerful words and I'm going to read the proclamation from Mayor Adams in his absence. Whereas in Oregon during the last 10 years, an average of 475 work zone related crashes have occurred each year, including an average of 18 serious injury crashes each year and an average of 8 fatal crashes each year and whereas the majority of people injured or killed in work zone crashes are drivers, passengers or pedestrians, not workers. And whereas nationally on average two work zone fatalities occur every day or about one every 12 hours. And whereas, the risk of death is 7 times higher for road workers than for an average worker. And whereas, the two major factors are driver inattention and speed and whereas national work zone awareness week is held each year in April to bring national attention to and raise awareness about the importance of driving safely through road construction work zones and whereas the Portland safety traffic coordinating council recognizing the safety for the people working in the right-of-way and supports continuing efforts to bring awareness about traffic safety in construction zones and encourages all drivers to scan and respond appropriately to road conditions and whereas the Oregon Department of Transportation supports work zone safety awareness and encouraging drivers to pay complete attention to the driving task, especially in the transition zone before the work area. Orange is your clue. Drivers are encouraged to pay attention to orange signs, barrels, cones and barricades and obey all speed signs because some speeds may be reduced for safety and whereas the members of the laborers' international union local 43 join the Portland bureau of transportation and its maintenance operations safety commission in urging drivers to pay attention while driving through work road zones and stop texting and talking on their phones and proceed with caution when behind the wheel. Road workers need safe drivers to help make safe roads. Now therefore I, Sam Adams, Mayor of the city of Portland, the city of roses proclaim April 4th through April 8th, 2011 to be road work safety awareness week in Portland and all residents to observe this week. Thank you each for what you do.

*******:** Thank you.

Leonard: Are there any members of the council that want items pulled from the consent agenda?

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Fritz: 286, please.

Leonard: 286 is pulled. Any other items? If not, Karla, please call the roll.

Consent Agenda roll.

Fritz: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. [gavel pounded] So do we go right to 286 or the regular agenda, Karla?

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Leonard: Ok. So then we'll do 286.

Moore-Love: Do you want to take it now on at the end.

Leonard: 295.

Moore-Love: 295.

Item 295.

Leonard: Second reading, Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. [gavel pounded] Karla, please read 296.

Item 296.

Leonard: Do we probably want to have an anticipating questions of the chief, so you might as well as just come on up. Maybe Jack and Chief Isner as well as. Or we can wait until we have more -- [laughter] Sorry.

Eric Johansen, Office of Management and Finance: Good morning, Eric Johansen, city treasurer. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce Jonas Biery, our new debt manager and he replaces me in my old position. I moved over to the treasury and he's doing a great job and you can expect his face on these types of bond ordinances. I wanted to put a name to the face and you'll see more of him. The ordinance authorizes up to \$40 million in general obligation bonds for fire vehicle and emergency response infrastructure. As you may recall in November last year, Portland voters approved the issuance of \$4.2 million for a number of purposes including the acquisition of fire engines and other emergency response vehicles and replacement of the emergency radio system and construction of a fire station and construction of a emergency response center. The projects authorized are expected to be implemented over a period of five or six years. Therefore, the bonds will be issued in phases with the first approximately \$40 million to come up this spring, the upcoming bond issue. And then the second issue will probably be done somewhere around the middle of 2013. Would be our expectation at this point. The reason, is the IRS imposes certain limitations on when we can borrow using tax-exempt financing for projects that are over an extended period of time. Saying you can borrow for about three years at a time under most circumstances. And since this is a project that has a fairly long implementation period, we'll break up the issuances. The bonds will mature over 15 years and repaid from a separate property tax levy imposed city wide. It's expected to be eight cents per thousand of assessed value. If you have an assessed value of say, \$150,000, the tax increase will be a little in excess of \$12 per year. The bonds will be sold in early May. And selling them through competitive bidding. With that, I'd take questions. We have the fire -- fire representatives.

Fritz: I have a question about the purchase of the four rapid response vehicles and this is maybe for Chief Klum. In the current budget cycle, there's a request for funding with one-time money, one of the existing rapid response vehicles we have plus we have one we're not even using right now. So I'm wondering about purchasing another four vehicles when we don't know how we're going to operate them.

John Klum, Portland Fire Bureau: That's an accurate statement. Currently, we have rescue 11 which is at 92nd and southeast Reedway that's active rapid response rescue vehicle. Rescue 19 was cut last budget cycle, we have the apparatus and the equipment but don't have the staffing to implement that and that's the one-time request for rescue 11 and what commissioner Leonard brought forward with the rescue 19. The four rapid response vehicles that are in this issuance of

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bonds are similar to those particular apparatus and we brought forward in the budget process as a significant issue of the challenges we have with staffing those particular units once they're purchased and outfitted and ready to go into service which we anticipate about 18 months from now.

Saltzman: 18 months?

Klum: Well, commissioner, it's going to take -- we still haven't resolved the staffing issue. If we purchase them, we don't have the bodies to go in there. So it's going to take time to work with council to figure out how we're going to fund those staffing positions.

Fritz: In this year's budget, we had proposed having a study as to how to move to more of the rapid response vehicles possibly instead of the bigger trucks from the fire stations and that didn't get into the budget. For this year. But it seems like we need a staffing plan to figure out -- if 80% of our fire -- of calls that Portland Fire and Rescue are responding to are medical, it doesn't seem reasonable to add more staff for these smaller trucks because that would leave the existing staff waiting for fire calls with less to do.

Leonard: I have to take us back to our original discussion when we talked about this subject when the measure went on the ballot and we discussed this. And the idea came from commissioner Saltzman to do what Tualatin Fire and Rescue is doing when they purchased the little Toyota FJ Cruisers that they staffed them with firefighters to respond to not the same kind of calls you're asking about at station 11, commissioner Fritz, or station 19, which are advanced life support calls, including basic life support calls, but they respond to low-level first aid calls. And as I explained back then, they negotiated with their union to put -- I think I put it in a memo to each of the council members to staff those -- well, my staff is right at work here. They're handing me a copy of the memo, that I sent to each of you along with the question from commissioner Saltzman which I'll read. A recent story in the Oregonian articulated this type of action that Portland Fire and Rescue should pursue. Responding to routine medical calls by sending smaller vehicles with smaller staff and I started the answer with I want to emphasize that the experiment Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue is conducting with one-person response is not an attempt to reduce current staffing or reduce the number of fire engines or trucks, and I went on to explain in detail. What they did there was made a conscious decision, as I explained in the memo and here at council, to reduce the wear and tear on their staff and maintain the readiness of firefighters assigned to fire trucks to respond to fires by creating fast-response vehicles and adding new staff to staff them so that the firefighters could be available for actual fires and not out on a medical call. And the struggle that I had at the time trying to articulate that was making sure that the council understood that when this day came, and we bought these, that's what the council wished and that was the desire of the council to purchase these vehicles, you had to understand that meant you were -- you were implicitly agreeing to staff them with new firefighters.

Fritz: Well, I think that's the question that we now need to resolve and to me, the question is do we buy these trucks and say, yes, we're going to staff them, in which case we need to figure that out in the budget or do we have the staffing discussion first and wait and buy the trucks in the second round purchases?

Saltzman: As the one who advocated that we include language in the ordinance, or resolution, that accompanied the ballot measure about purchasing the four rapid response emergency vehicles, it was implicit to me that -- and I think we've put language in that they should be purchased in the first bond sale, and I think -- I think we're having a divergence of opinion when we talk about rapid response vehicles. An exchange I've had with the Chief over the last couple days, I'm understanding now instead of the one-person nimble vehicles that Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue - - I don't know what a rescue 11 is but I bet it's bigger than a Toyota Cruiser and now we're talking about -- we're talking about two people staffing and the point about being transformative and responding to the customer demand, it's 80% emergency medical and -- 80% emergency medical

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and whether it's basic life support, I'm sure that's a lot and the idea is to get those calls taken care of by a paramedic in one vehicle equipped to deal with those and not have to have our four-person fire engines responding to calls for a cut finger.

Leonard: In fairness to the Chief, that's not what his response was. I was reading the emails, what his response to you was that Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue had to sit down and -- is that the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue had to bargain to staff one person and we can't unilaterally implement a system whereby we staff with one person when our intention is to sit down and talk with the union about doing something along the lines of what Tualatin Valley does. But having said that, there are huge safety concerns in doing that for individual firefighters you send in to some areas of this city by themselves to treat some innocuous medical issue that could quickly turn out of -- get out of control in the house by themselves. So those are issues we have to flesh out and we will, but we can't just impose on the collective bargaining agreement what we think the solution is and I've tried to be clear about that right along and I think Chief Klum said the same thing. On page 6 this memo, I referred to that I sent to you, commissioner Saltzman, on June 28th, 2010 and for the rest the council in carbon, I said the cars and medic units are designed to take wear and tear -- talking about Tualatin Valley, of frontline fire apparatus and increase the availability of the fire fighting apparatus and do not replace heavy rescues, etc., currently employed by TVF&R, and they increased and hired extra people. I've tried to be as --

Saltzman: It is your intent to bargain and get on the one-person staffing?

Leonard: My intent is to sit down and have the discussion because we say that's what we want. I hope you can appreciate we're still a collective bargaining state and there has to be an agreement for that to be reached. Having said that I have significant concerns in an urban environment sending singular people in some areas of this city by themselves in the middle of the night and I'm sure if I have that concern, the union does too. There might be other types of responses where that would be appropriate but I want to be very careful as we move ahead how we do that.

Saltzman: Ok. Well --

Leonard: The idea -- I have agreed with the concept all along is this, is there some way we can create triage our calls, and we think there is. If you remember in this memo again, and back in the discussion, in the '80s, the fire bureau was the leader in using basic life support units, responding to lower level emergency calls that don't require advanced training or drugs or I.V.s and we had 12 throughout the city but because of staffing reductions they went away and they weren't the big ambulance type units but small vans like Tualatin Valley is using. And we have experience doing that and it's a successful program because it reduces the wear and tear on the engines and truck, first of all, and also, it's like one of the circumstances, if something can go bad, it will. And you time when a fire engine is out on a low-level call, a fire comes in while they're tied up and we would like to have them freed up by having these vehicles available and how do you make all of that happen? And I -- with all due respect, I don't think this is the appropriate forum to have the discussion about how we're going to staff them. This is a bond issuance to purchase vehicles that the council clearly said it wanted to purchase and we'll address the staffing issue, I'm sure at the right time.

Fritz: Except just earlier, you said that if I vote for this, then I'm voting to support \$3 million in ongoing funding for staff.

Leonard: No, that's not what said. I'm sorry if I misspoke. I certainly didn't mean to imply that. What I said, we have to sit down and bargain with the union how we're going to staff these vehicles. That's what I said and that's what the Chief said in his memos. Not agreeing to any staffing plan in buying these bonds but we're fulfilling our commitment to the voters to buy them.

Fritz: I think it's premature to buy the trucks or the vehicles if we don't know how we're going to staff them. I'd like to see either we don't buy them until we know what the staffing is or an amendment to the ordinance that says they'll be staffed with existing resources.

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Leonard: That's not -- I mean, that's -- that's -- that's changing the intent of the bond as it was explained to the voters and that would be for a variety of reasons a very -- that would lack a lot of process, which I hope you appreciate voters depended on when they voted for this.

Saltzman: If I may say, to me it's implicit when you say on the bond measure you're going to purchase for rapid response, emergency medical vehicles it's implicit to me you're going to deploy them and that's not subject to a whole other round of -- and suddenly it's a two-person staffing. And you make a good case for two-person staffing but it's subject to the budget process.

Leonard: As is one-person staffing --

Saltzman: But I think your demand load has changed significantly. You had basic life support in the early '80s and in the intervening 30 years, medical calls have become a larger portion of your caseload.

Leonard: I don't disagree.

Saltzman: I think it should be done with the existing resources.

Leonard: This is not the appropriate forum to decide that. You can't sit up here and -- this is not Wisconsin. You can't say this is the way it is and there are collective bargaining laws in this state. This is a mandatory subject of bargaining.

Saltzman: I'll give you two persons but I still --

Leonard: I'm saying we have to bargain. There may be variations. I hope you can appreciate. I would hate to sit here and reveal the options available to give the union some advantage but there may be variations how we staff them beyond conventionally just adding extra people and I don't want to close off any options or suggest we're going to do one thing or the other. All I suggest this is not the forum how -- suggest you go this is not how to have the debate.

Fish: Commissioner Leonard, I was not here last week. I was down in San Diego, trying to enlist in the Navy, and I'm back. And I have to say this is an interesting discussion and I regret because I was out, I didn't have a chance to sit down with you and ask these questions and get these answers. I notice there's an emergency ordinance. I'm guessing from the tenure of this discussion there's still guess on this council and my question to you, commissioner Leonard, would you be open to setting this over a week so that at least this commissioner could get a briefing and get questions answered so we can take it up next week.

Leonard: I would rather have this be the first reading and we can vote on it next week and it may impact the interest rates we pay, but I feel a strong commitment to not vary from what we told the voters we'd do.

Fish: What do we need?

Johansen: I believe you can -- well, I'll defer to the court.

Moore-Love: A motion and second.

Fish: That doesn't preclude anyone from either opposing this next week or have it postponed. We're not going to resolve this today based on conversation. I would like more information and I would be comfortable with removing the emergency clause.

Fritz: Does that mean we can introduce amendments at the second reading.

Fish: I think that's your right regardless. It would just kick the matter forward.

Leonard: If they have to do with staffing, I would ask the city attorney's office to advise whether or not we can take a bond authorized by voters and add additional conditions that the voters weren't aware of when they passed a ballot measure to that bond issuance.

Fish: I would move that the emergency clause be removed and this is now a first reading.

Fritz: Second.

Leonard: You second?

Moore-Love: Roll call.

Fritz: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Leonard:** Aye.

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Fish: And commissioner Leonard, can we clarify in terms of procedure going forward, if anyone on the council has an amendment, the normal procedure would be to at least attempt to circulate it with colleagues so we can see it.

Leonard: I'll attempt to circulate it and I don't know to what intent we can add conditions on bonds that were authorized by the voters.

Fish: Fair enough, but we would not be precluded from having that discussion next week.

Leonard: We can discuss whatever we want.

Saltzman: To me, what the voters understood, you say you're going to purchase them, it's implicit you're going to deploy them.

Leonard: Right.

Saltzman: And I'm hearing more and more circular discussions around the deployment and even the purchase. We talking about small vehicles or rescue 11 size?

Leonard: He's giving you -- but he's giving you the answers. They're not ALS vehicles. They're basic life support. They may not be FJ Cruisers, but small vehicles and staffed to respond to BLS level calls and how we staff them, I want to be clear to make sure that any confusion being created unintentionally that this is an unclear subject, I have in writing and here at council been clear that the staffing issue is a subject of discussion, not just with the union, but amongst ourselves, how that's accomplished. I've been clear about that from the moment you brought that up. This should not be a surprise.

Saltzman: All due respect to collective bargaining, you about I know, commissioner Leonard, when you want something done, you have the ability to get something done --

Leonard: Is that a bad thing?

Saltzman: No, I'm asking for that kind of resolve on this issue.

Leonard: I intend to staff these and --

Saltzman: Look at budget, gee, it's a nice idea.

Leonard: You actually think I would buy the vehicles and then --

Saltzman: No, the conversations we had prior to my support for the bond measure, you made those assurances to me, I believe.

Leonard: And I'm telling you we'll staff them as we staff them, discussions with the union and with the council. When you -- when you have insisted on these happening, buying these vehicles, I put in writing to make it clear that you're understanding that additional staff would have to be hired to staff them. That was made clear in a written memo. Not just to you but each councilmember. At this point for someone to suggest they didn't understand is not reflective of the actual conversations and the written memos.

Fritz: And we had the discussion about ongoing plans for staffing and shifting and recognizing that we now, Portland Fire and Rescue serves a lot more medical responses. I'd like to see a longer term plan how you think your services will be staffed over the next five, 10 years, recognizing that we have fewer fires and more medical emergencies you're responding to.

Leonard: The staffing is dependent completely on the council funding positions.

Fritz: Not really, sir, because if -- we currently have fire stations staffed with four. If they were staffed with two and two, with rapid response vehicles, then it might be that there'd be a covering fire station that cover the fires which we have fires, we often have more than one vehicle responding anyway. And you would still be able -- then you would be able to more nimbly provide the medical response.

Leonard: And that may be a goal that the council has, but I want to reiterate and hope you understand, those are mandatory subjects of bargaining.

Fritz: You staff the rescue, did you have to bargain them?

Leonard: Anything that impacts staffing and or safety is required under collective bargaining to be bargained.

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Klum: It's a reduction in resources, because in effect, you'd be reducing the fire fighting capabilities and if you used existing resources right now to outfit these units, you're effectively closing two fire stations and that means that geographical area in the city will not -- they'll have increased response time and our mission from Portland Fire is it might not be the most frequent response but it's the potential risk on it. We'd be sacrificing for these basic life support, not life threatening calls, not having a unit available for a house fire at 3:00 in the morning where someone loses thorough life and I can't support that.

Fritz: I want to know what is your long-term plan for providing the medical responses?

Klum: The long-term plan, first, everyone frames what Tualatin Valley is doing, they're going on non-emergency runs. We need to look at Portland Fire and Rescue strategic plan, with BOAC, with Multnomah county health and Multnomah county EMS and remove these from the demand from the system. These are not emergency responses that Tualatin Valley is going on, if you can wait two hours to respond, the individuals can have another course of action it get their issues addressed and so we need to separate the two code three responses which eliminate these, where you don't have to respond to them and then look at the effect of deployment of resources to increase the liability for the existing companies where they're available to do both role, both fire and EMS.

Fritz: And I think that comprehensive study and evaluation is what I'm looking for. Clearly, you're not expecting to increase staffing by 80% to cover the non-emergency medical calls or even emergency medical calls and then have the firefighters waiting for the 20% of calls that are fires.

Klum: You need to realize with 70,000 responses, they're not waiting. The issue that -- the challenge we have is that there's multiple requests in fire management areas for critical EMS calls where you don't have anyone available. It's not like they're waiting for a fire. They're going on true emergency runs and so the effect you get from the smaller vehicles, you take the edge and increased response reliability for when someone calls 9-1-1 with a cardiac event that you have someone within four minutes. And a point of correction, if you EMS went up 17% in the last 10 years, we know that's going to continue. But fires haven't declined. The last 30 years, averaged between 2500 and 2800 fires and the fire is still there and in my opinion, with our geographically located fire stations we're at the minimum level to provide fire suppression for the city of Portland and if we degrade that to offset the increased demand for EMS, I think it's counterproductive for what our mission is. To be available for fires and available for critical calls where we can make a difference between life and death. Not issues that individuals have -- a cut finger or broken arm or things like that. There needs to be something long term developed to where the citizens get their needs addressed but it shouldn't automatically default to fire to figure that out.

Fritz: I agree, I understand that. What I'm looking for -- is the city and Portland Fire and Rescue becoming fire and rescue and emergency medical response, and in which case, is that the appropriate way for us to provide for the city, the county the whole system to provide the medical responses? I think that's a discussion we should have whether we're using highly trained firefighters to do those responses and what's the way do it including what vehicles to have them do it in.

Klum: That's how the history of EMS started in the late '70s and '80s, there was a need based on the demand there the community for emergency medical services and they had a fire department located to where they can get there in a timely manner and the primary focus from fire, being fire suppression hasn't changed, it's that the first responder emergency medical was assume bid that because there was a need based on -- the community. And as increasing demand and shift be more of the first responder type of model that you have, it's a balance to where you keep tooled up at the minimum level, to maintain your insurance ratings and ISO ratings for fire protection and achieve your mission to try to get there in an adequate time prior to flashover to prevent loss of life from fires and still balance out workload that steadily increasing from the EMS side and that's been a challenge. There's two ways you can address this issue: Look at what we're responding on or add.

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If you go and have more resources to focus on the EMS, the -- you're sacrificing the fire component which is a significant life safety hazard.

Saltzman: How many other vehicles that we're proposing to purchase from this ballot measure are not staffed?

Klum: They're all staffed. We've got existing resources for that, commissioner.

Saltzman: But the --

Klum: These are new units being placed in service. Everything else you see in there --

Saltzman: It's either these new units or close two fire stations?

Leonard: This is frustrating. You have set them up to catch them in a box. You started this discussion last June in an email I responded to that I'm going to resend to each the council so you can reread because these are great questions but they've been asked and answered including the long-term outlook for responses. We were going to replace fire engines that had close to 200,000-miles that should have been replaced with 100,000-miles on them. When the question came up back then in June, what is it that is causing this many miles I said and the fire bureau said the fire bureau responds to fires in those units but EMS calls and we take the existing staff and equipment and maximize the use to not just fight fires but to respond to heart attacks and respond to automobile accidents where people are penned in and any variety of conditions that people find themselves in medical emergencies. You either read in the paper or talked to someone, Tualatin Valley Fire who said they bought these little one-person units. The part you were not informed about and I've heard explained here today, and I've explained in this memo, Tualatin Valley did not get rid of their rescues. They still maintain the ALS two-person rescues and all the fire engines and trucks with the existing staffing and sat down and negotiated with the union to buy the new FJ Cruisers and staff them with one person, to respond not to heart attacks or people in medical emergencies but people with a headache or stomach ache to take the pressure off the ALS rescue, and the fire engine and fire trucks staffed with four people. I put that in writing and met with you and made sure you understood that when we bought these units you asked us to put in the bond we would have to figure out how to staff them. You agreed at that time, as did the whole council, we had the discussion, because it's here in writing and now I'm here today and hearing you say what the -- with the cameras and reporters present, you're buying these and you have no plan for staffing? And commissioner Fritz wants to know what's the long-term outlook. And all of this is detailed in this memo and you put these guys in the position where it looks like they haven't planned for this so they can't win this argument and it's not fair and I went out personally around the city, talked to voters all over Portland, raised money to pass in based in large part on the legislative intent this memo reflects which was we're going to buy four new units like Tualatin Valley did and figure out how to staff them when the appropriate budget season arrived for them to be staffed with the full intention that the council remembered what had we had talked about when we passed the ballot measure and sit down in the budget process as professionals and figure it out.

Saltzman: Did you propose in the fire budget to staff these vehicles?

Leonard: If they're going to be online. I had proposed that staff rescue 19, the council -- which is closed with two people, if the council decided we wanted to staff those two people into one of these units or if you wanted to add more people in the budget currently to staff these unit, we can do that any time we want.

Saltzman: The two for rescue 19 could become what the council desires, two of the nimble response vehicles.

Klum: Sure.

Saltzman: That's --

Leonard: No, one -- commissioner Saltzman, commissioner Saltzman, we just -- I mean --

Saltzman: I want. In the proposed budget of the fire bureau, I did not see a explicit proposal to staff --

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Leonard: We haven't bought them yet.

Saltzman: Have you had any discussions with the union since the bond measure passed?

Leonard: We have not.

Saltzman: I feel there's a lack of resolve to really do this.

Leonard: If you're saying --

Saltzman: The price tag --

Leonard: If you're saying in this budget season to come up with a staffing plan, we're glad to do this. But I'll remind you that you put together a plan that closed rescue 19. You three came up with a budget and closed a rescue that was currently staffed so I found it a stretch at this time to come to you and ask you to staff vehicles we haven't purchased yet, given what the labor flavor of the last budget.

Saltzman: The intent of these vehicles is to prolong the live of our heavier stocked vehicles. To figure out the more diverse --

Leonard: And we all agree on that.

Saltzman: I think there's a paradigm change associated with this that I don't sense there's a resolve to cross that threshold.

Leonard: That's completely unfair and not true.

Saltzman: I will talk to you about this before next week -- I want something from OMF or the Chief that outlines the differences between Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue and ours, what it takes to get there and I mean, you gave me a good response, but to me it's not a side-by-side like you've been doing here today. I want to see those. And I hope my colleagues want to see those.

Leonard: We'll get you that and I'll also re-forward the memo in which it is clear.

Klum: Just a point of clarification from the other question earlier, when we brought forward the \$19.8 million for the apparatus, all of those are replacement staffed with existing resources. The four rapid response vehicles were added after that. So the -- to answer your questions, those other vehicles are replacement. The air supply units are rigs that are currently co-staffed with existing resources.

Saltzman: So we can talk about this and I guess my last question, how many firefighters have we hired since November of last year? Roughly.

Klum: I'd have to get you the exact numbers, but --

Saltzman: Approximately.

Klum: Since November 12, probably since November maybe anywhere from 12-24 firefighters. Those are also gearing up for the potential 50 retirement we have coming up next fiscal year. A point of clarification, commissioners, do you want a side-by-side comparison of what the two person staffing compares with what Tualatin Valley does and the type of responses that Tualatin Valley goes on?

Leonard: I think it's very important that -- that these units out in Tualatin Valley are being characterized as though they're stand-alone singular responses to EMS calls in Tualatin Valley. And I clearly failed in articulating over the last year that's not how they're being used. I think the analysis needs to be what you just said and what their current response is to various EMS call, ALS calls, do they go to ALS calls, how many people are on them. And the fire trucks respond to? And what are these units designed to respond to? How they're staffed and how did they get to the staffing, what was the process used to decide on the staffing and the conditions of that? And then I think probably showing side-by-side with that, how we use our trucks, engines and current rescues to respond to protocol and I think the one thing I think would be -- I think where this conversation would be extremely helpful is an area you've identified and that commissioner Fritz could help because she has the BOEC, the calls that come in that ordinarily go to the Tualatin Valley type of rescues. Low-level that currently we send trained paramedics to, how do we get rid of those calls? Quit responding to them? Do we segregate them out and when we get them online, however they're

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staffed, that's how they're responded to. So you have a apples to apples comparison to what Tualatin Valley is doing and what we do once we have them online and staffed. Does that make sense to you?

Saltzman: I with like the comparison to include the two-person staffing and what a proposed one-person staffing and I know those are labor issues and you raised safety issues but -- I think you raised good points that may be valid but we need to see what it looks like. Really mimic the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue model.

Leonard: And what would be the normal time frame they would be purchased and equipped so they would be ready to go in service? Doing the bond issuance now, so we're at the front end. The council is reacting as if they'll be in service this next budget years, that true?

Klum: I don't think so, commissioner, because the time it would take to go to the fleet to purchase those vehicles and outfit them, because it's -- it's -- although Tualatin Valley bought lease returned FJ Cruisers, the city's process. It would take a while to procure these. When may be able it get them in fiscal year and outfit them, but we're still I'd say a minimum of a year out and that's if we have the staffing discussions completed. And the reason why I made the statement of 18 months out, we felt it's going to take to purchase and outfit but also to resolve the issues we've discussed today.

Leonard: That's important for the council to hear now. But I also think maybe next week because there seems for confusion what Tualatin Valley is doing, of course, you could extend an invitation to the appropriate person from the Tualatin Valley Fire department to come and explain in -- from the Tualatin Valley to come and explain in person how the vehicles are used. That would be help. Any other questions? Thank you. Did we take the roll?

Moore-Love: It's non-emergency now, but we didn't open it.

Leonard: We did do the roll? Is there any public discussion? It moves to a second reading. [gavel pounded] Item 297.

Item 297.

Leonard: Good morning.

Robert Kieta, Office of Management and Finance: Good morning, commissioners. Robert Kieta, facilities services manager. Today's ordinance is to extend renewal of the security contract that serves several bureaus within the city. The G4S has been a -- a contractor for the city for the past five years in establishing the security protocols that we have in place for our buildings and self properties. This ordinance extends the contract for one year and offers the opportunity for additional extensions of one year beyond that. This is a requirements contract which ebbs and flows with the city's needs. While it's \$1.45 million this year, that number could go up or down depending on what the city's needs are.

Leonard: Questions from council?

Fritz: Why did we not re-bid this?

Kieta: Currently, the existing contractor is providing excellent service towards the city. They meet and exceed our fair wage goals for their employees and provide health benefits for employees and they have workforce that's diverse in minority and employees as well as a partner with local QRF industries in providing employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Fritz: Those are reasons it would get the contract if it was rebid.

Kieta: If it were rebid, the fair wage would become the baseline for the proposal. And it's not been adjusted in two years, and because they're exceeding it now, it would put them at a disadvantage because they exceed the fair wage and anyone else coming in would actually be about \$1.50 under per hour.

Fritz: Why couldn't we put that in the bid requirement?

Kieta: The fair wage is the requirement by the city.

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Fritz: Construct the RFP to say -- the pieces we value? And let me be clear. I think our current security folks are wonderful. I'm concerned about this which potentially extends the contract for five years and it's been a five-year contract and seems now is the time we should be at least offering it to other conditions to see what they've got.

Kieta: I don't disagree with you. We could amend this to allow for each year to come before council, if you choose, so we do this one year at a time and come before council each time. As far as what other companies have, again, the concern would be that we have a good security contractor, the continuity of the services are important to the security of the people in the buildings, and to go out now could break that continuity because just the fact that there are potential bidders that will -- or, proposers, that would -- I wouldn't say have better or, you know, higher service, but whenever you go out, you open that opportunity up.

Fritz: Right, it is a \$1.7 million a year contract. That's a lot of money.

Kieta: And this is a requirements contract. Next year it could be back down to the base services of about a million dollars. If construction at Columbia wastewater finishes and no longer require the security at the construction site. Any number of things can -- can change what is required. It ebbs and flows based on need.

Fritz: You mentioned there's a diverse workforce. What's the level of minority hiring?

Kieta: Currently, the minority hiring is at 14%.

Fritz: And women?

Kieta: 18.1%.

Fritz: And I'm uncomfortable with the provision to allow the chief procurement officer to approve future amendments to extend the contracts. I think we should have a discussion whether rebidding would be in order next year.

Kieta: I'd be happy to amend this to bring it to council each year, if you would like.

Leonard: I think I'd prefer to remove the emergency clause.

Fritz: I think the contract expires tomorrow.

Leonard: Can we sign an interim agreement until the contract is renewed?

Kieta: The purchasing person -- I'm not a purchasing person, I don't know that, but we can certainly work something out.

Fritz: Can you tell me why it didn't come forward a month ago.

Kieta: Unfortunately, there was a lot of transition in facilities services and this is something that I'm very concerned about and kept with me, rather than delegating it out and unfortunately, it got caught up in the shuffle.

Fritz: It happens. Thank you for the explanation.

Leonard: We would have to pay more because we're paying less than what the city's wage policy is if we let a new contract?

Kieta: If we go out for a comprehensive process, the fair wage -- a competitive process, the fair wage becomes the baseline for the proposers.

Leonard: We're paying below that now.

Kieta: No, G4S is paying above that.

Leonard: Oh, paying above?

Kieta: We would rule them out because they wouldn't be able to pay the staff less.

Leonard: I'm assuming if we changed contractors the staff that are currently here would lose their job?

Kieta: We require that the incoming contractor interview the staff who are losing their jobs for vacancies within their company.

Leonard: There's a requirement to hire them?

Kieta: No, but they have the first right to apply for those positions and in a situation like this, the company would certainly want to retain the folks that they most value.

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Leonard: Is the council prepared to vote on this?

Fish: With the amendment.

Fritz: Yeah, I move we remove 14 B, the -- is that correct, is that what I want to remove?

Fish: A friendly -- does OMF view that as a friendly amendment?

*******:** Yeah.

Fritz: Thank you.

Fish: As amends the motion we're moving this forward.

Leonard: Do you want to call the roll on the amendment.

Moore-Love: I don't think you can do a friendly. It has to be amended. Removing the whole paragraph and seconded by?

Fish: I'll second it.

Fritz: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. Further discussion? Anyone want to testify? Karla, call the roll on 297.

Fritz: Thank you for your work and I do think our security staff do a wonderful job and I appreciate their services both in city hall and elsewhere. Aye.

Fish: Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. [gavel pounded] Item 298. Thank you.

Item 298.

Leonard: Good morning.

Connie Johnson, Office of Management and Finance: My name is Connie Johnson, a project manager with the facilities and project manager for fire station 18 which is getting a seismic upgrade and facility remodel. Of this amount, \$4,356 is for additional design work required by PBOT to get a permit and it's associated with their public works type two permitting process and then \$7,621 is to replace the existing generator with diesel generator and \$100 for reimbursable expenses. And if you have questions about the diesel, I brought my expert here.

Saltzman: Where is station 18?

Johnson: In Multnomah village on S.W. 30th and between Multnomah Boulevard and Barbur.

Leonard: Questions.

Fish: I move -- finally, a noncontroversial matter. [laughter] I say we salute the presenters.

Saltzman: And I appreciate the detail down to \$100. Good detail.

Leonard: Any public testimony? Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: I do appreciate the attention to the Americans with Disabilities Act with providing the ramps and we should think of these things first and this is my fire station and looking forward to having it not fall down in a earthquake. Aye.

Fish: Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. [gavel pounded] Item 299.

Item 299.

Leonard: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Thank you, Mr. President. I'll ask Andrea to come forward. Who else is going to join you? Andrea, if you would come forward. And her colleague and we'll introduce them in a second.

President Leonard and members of council, the Portland Housing Bureau as you know, now administers the city's tax abatement programs in partnership with Multnomah county. Tax abatement programs. The community members are in the middle of what we're calling a big look. A review of the city's tax exemptions programs including the program before us today. The single family new construction limited tax abatement program. Our review of these programs will tell us what is working and what needs to be changed to ensure our tax abatement programs are meeting goals and aligned with city and county housing policies and I should note that commissioner Fritz has been a valued member of our team. The abatement before us today is the single family, new construction limited tax abatement approximate program. This important tool helps us increase

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homeownership rates for people of color in Portland and more than half of from communities of color and this tool promotes homeownership in home buyer opportunity areas. Neighborhoods with more foreclosures and vacant land and lower household income levels. The resolution before you today does the following: It approves 122 exemptions for qualified home buyers. The estimated average value of each is \$1,600 in foregone property taxes a year and that adds up to a little under \$200,000 in foregone revenue for a year. And helps low to moderate-income families become homeowners and the resolution denies 41 applications for exemption because they don't need the statutory and code requirements for the program. For example, a number are outside of the home buyer opportunity boundaries and finally the resolution terminates send prior exemptions because the homeowners are out of compliance with the program requirement. In this instance, impacted property tax property owners were -- to provide evidence of compliance prior to the termination which was delivered by certified mail. Andrea is here to answer questions you may have.

Andrea Matthiessen, Portland Housing Bureau: Good morning, commissioners. I can provide a little bit more detail if you're interested on the demographics of the households that are receiving the tax-exemption and I can provide some geographic detail on where the homes are located if you're interested.

Fritz: That would be good.

Matthiessen: And I can provide this in written form to your offices if you would like. Of the 122 total activations before you this morning, 72 are located in the southeast homeowner opportunity area. 15 in northeast Portland and 35 of those in north Portland. Of the 122 activations, 26 are in the Lents urban renewal area. 32 are in the Interstate urban renewal area and 64 are located outside of the URA's. And then, kind of jumping to the specific home buyers, we've got demographic information for 70 households. Of the 122 single family homes that were developed and receiving tax exemption, 70 are currently occupied by eligible and approved homeowners and we've got 11 female-heads of households, 33 home buyers with children, and 46 first-time home buyer, \$217,000 is the average sales price. Of those 70, we've got 55 of them that are under 80% of median family income and all of them are below 100% median family income.

Fish: Thank you.

Saltzman: How long is the abatement?

Matthiessen: It's a 10-year tax abatement

Saltzman: So the county has worked through this list with you?

Fish: We worked closely with the county and as you know, any exemption plan is contingent on the county assessor agreeing that the property not be placed on the rolls and we have an unprecedented current level of collegiality with the county as evidence by the fact that chair Cogen and I were in Salem supporting in favor of tax abatement programs that they would be at their discretion to use. I think I would turn it back to the president for a vote -- actually, this is a first reading. Before I lose Andrea and the team, I want to say that once upon a time, this work was done largely, I think, by the Portland Development Commission and this has come over with the two parts of the house and as part of that director Van Vliet has committed to transparency and in lieutenant of making sure that people not eligible not receive the benefits of these programs, there's I think a very strong focus on making sure that compliance issues are taken seriously and that's why once again, there are homes no longer be eligible for the abatement because of our ongoing program of compliance monitoring and I want to thank you the bureau for their good work.

Leonard: Thank you. Further discussion? Any public testimony.

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Leonard: It moves to second reading.

Moore-Love: It's a resolution, we should be voting.

Leonard: Oh, I'm sorry.

Fish: You're right.

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Fritz: Thank you for your good work and thank you, commissioner Fish for our -- and director Van Vliet for making sure this program is available and it allows people to buy a first home and encourages homeownership in areas that greatly need it for the vitality of the neighborhood. I think it's an excellent program and I appreciate you coming to tell the council and citizens at home about it. It's amazing that \$217,000 is considered an affordable home, but that's the city we live in and it's important that teachers and nurses and others are able to buy a home in Portland and this helps with that. Aye.

Fish: Andrea, I know there's a number of your teammates who have worked tirelessly on this.

Matthiessen: I definitely want to acknowledge Marilyn Hurtley, the data I shared with you was culled by her and the enforcement and compliance work is all -- enforcement and compliance work is Marilyn's. I want it give her credit.

Fish: Thank you, I want to say how proud I am of the work that the bureau is doing. In the last year and a half, we've taken cuts that have required us to downsize and we're asked to do more with a smaller complement of staff. What we have is very dedicated people who are doing really important work and it's a honor for me to be the commissioner in charge of in bureau and work with director Van Vliet. Thank you for your good work. Aye.

Saltzman: I'm pleased to support this. More exemptions for first-time -- exemptions for first-time home buyers and I appreciate the housing bureau's diligence in making sure that the people who get the exemptions still qualify. Therein, lies the 70 or so denials that we're also approving today. But that's consistent with the trust that needed to be accorded the taxpayers throughout the county to make sure these abatements really go toward people who need them. Pleased to vote aye.

Leonard: Thank you very much, aye. [gavel pounded] Item 300.

Item 300.

Fish: Thank you, president Leonard. Today's ordinance provides for an extension of the Portland housing bureau contract with triad technology group. Under this ordinance, they'll provide a single software system to support the bureau's business requirements and provide a single source of program data and it's a continuation -- we've received assistance from the best minds within the city, including OMF and the bureau of purchasing staff. As well as the technology-minded people on my team and Margaret's team, to ensure we're using taxpayer resources as efficiently as possible throughout the implementation. I would like to move an amendment to item 300, which I think has been distributed but if not, it would change the under the now, therefore, first therefore, clause, sub a, and insert in place of the bureau director, chief procurement officer. I move that as a technical amendment.

Saltzman: Second.

Leonard: Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: Aye. **Fish:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Leonard:** Aye.

Fish: Pleased to recognize the director of the bureau, Margaret Van Vliet.

Margaret Van Vliet, Director, Portland Housing Bureau: Thank you, president Leonard and commissioners. I'll be brief. This is the first of two parts that will come before you with respect to technology services for the bureau. As commissioner Fish mentioned this is the continued transition work of bringing the two agencies together. And as you know, we have about a \$300 million loan portfolio and when we pulled that out of PDC and inserted it into the city, we're continuing to work to refine the systems and make sure it's synced up with SAP and the other parts of the system and what this piece is going to do is give us a consultant who does the quality assurance work and what's going to come before you in about 30 days is the software package that we're going to buy that will replace what PDC had been using for a number of years. So this is the first of two parts. We engaged the services of this firm actually PDC had, in anticipation of the merger. They've proven to be a really valuable resource for us and it makes sense for us to continue the services to help do project management and quality assurance as we get the new system online.

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And as was mentioned, we are trying to do this very close cooperation with the technology services folks and procurement services folks. As well as with PDC. I should mention that PDC is also moving their -- the remaining loan portfolio of the prior system they had used so we're both migrating to new systems and we'll be back a fuller briefing what the new system looks like and what the costs are anticipated to be and -- in the next month. So --

Saltzman: Can you give us a preview on costs?

Van Vliet: This is Alissa Mahar and I'll defer to her.

Alissa Mahar, Portland Housing Bureau: Hi, everyone. We're in contract negotiation with HCS, so HCS is the company that won the RFP process that we coordinated with purchasing. So we've been through a scope of work effort with them and pretty solid and now doing contract negotiations so that's kind of what we're doing in the next 30 days, and it will be somewhere probably around the \$500,000 to \$600,000 range. We're trying to refine the numbers right now and some of them came in a little higher and trying to push back and get to a solid number and hoping to get there and you know --

Saltzman: What extent is the Bureau of Technology Services been involved in this?

Mahar: Heavily, because their kind of our partner in I.T. services and we have worked with Triad to develop what the scope would be. What we wanted the software to do. And they've worked closely with us in purchasing to develop the RFP and the scope and we plan to use them throughout the implementation as part of our advisory group and make sure we're not missing anything and making sure we're collaborating with SAP and we plan to partner with them throughout the project.

Saltzman: So we have -- and in the intervening months we've created a new ordinance about technology oversight.

Van Vliet: Absolutely.

Saltzman: And I don't know if you've talked with the Bureau of Technology Services about whether this qualifies.

Van Vliet: We have and we're ahead of that being in place but our intent, that is group comes online, we're staying close to them and do briefings and check-ins with that group and Jim Blackwood in commissioner Fish's office has been there helping us think that through in anticipation of what's to be put in place there. So -- yeah, thank you for mentioning that.

Saltzman: Thank you.

Van Vliet: I think that's the extent of our sort of presentation. Happy to answer questions, of course.

Leonard: Questions? Anyone want to testify? If not, Karla can please call the roll.

Fritz: Aye. Thank you for your work.

Fish: And Margaret's very concise presentation, she left out the drama of the complexity of trying to fit this loan portfolio and the monitoring of work within SAP and this is something that PDC would have had to grapple with, it's now on our watch. We're trying to do it in a most cost-efficient way, but this is one of the last -- maybe the last significant technology piece that's related to this consolidation of operations. This was forecast and we're, in fact, working diligently to try and bring the price down and make sure we do it in an efficient manner. So thanks very much for your good work. This is one the hardest tasks we've had to tackle but when complete, it will allow us to operate more independently and meet the new requirements of the new bureau. So aye.

Saltzman: Aye.

Leonard: Aye. [gavel pounded] Now we'll go back to item 286.

Item 286.

Fritz: Thank you, I asked for this to be pulled because I think there may be an error in the ordinance. Under the now, therefore, the council directs, the chief procurement officer is authorized to execute further amendment, I believe that needs to be struck.

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Terri Williams, Revenue Bureau: Terri Williams from the -- the tax division manager. Yes, the intention of that was not to -- to override anything else that the chief procurement officer has the authority -- procurement officer has the authority to do. And the monetary ones that don't meet the guidelines that council -- would come back to council. So striking it is not a problem.

Fritz: Thank you, I move we strike item B in the ordinance.

Saltzman: Second.

Fritz: Thank you are very much for your staff working with my staff and it's an example of all of our city staff being diligent and paying attention to the details and working together and thank you. And thank you for sitting here all morning. Aye.

Fish: Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. That's on the amendment --

Saltzman: I actually had a question.

Leonard: Ok.

Saltzman: This is a sole source contract. Half a million.

Williams: Over a five-year period.

Saltzman: And I appreciate the reasons you've put forward for sole source. I assume purchasing has signed off on those reasons too?

Williams: Yes, that was up on the purchasing website about the intent to award and all -- yeah.

Saltzman: Ok. Thank you.

Leonard: Further discussions? Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: This continues our contract with a company providing the computer support and software and makes sense to be a sole source and again, this is he had for citizens at home, wondering about the consent agenda which we usually approve with just an aye from all of us, our staff and we are diligently going through every single item to make sure we can -- I can with confidence vote aye and I appreciate your willingness to work on this at the last minute. Aye.

Fish: Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Leonard: Aye. Council's adjourned. [gavel pounded]

At 10:52 a.m., Council adjourned.