

Office of Mayor Charlie Hales City of Portland

**REPORT TO COUNCIL** 

DATE: June 20, 2013

**TO: City Council** 

FROM: Mayor Charlie Hales

SUBJECT: Accept Report on the Smarter Portland Plan

I am pleased to submit for your consideration and acceptance a report of the Smarter Portland Plan.

During the fall of 2012 the University of Oregon in Portland School of Architecture & Allied Arts offered an interdisciplinary seminar on Smarter Cities taught by Herman D'Hooge, senior principal engineer and innovation strategist at Intel. The seminar explored the space of possibility created by the adoption of Information & Communications Technologies (ICT) in the urban environment. Focus was not on how the technology works, but on how its adoption can contribute to making cities more efficient, more environmentally sustainable, more equitable, more livable, and more prosperous.

The Smart City topic is still very much in its infancy and is getting significant and growing attention mainly from technology researchers in industry and academia with real-world living lab experiments going on in hundreds of cities around the world.

The Smarter Cities students studied The Portland Plan and illustrated their grasp of Smart City concepts by applying them to The Portland Plan. Students were asked to imagine that they were tasked by the City of Portland with making recommendations for where/how/why ICT could make a positive impact in implementing the many strategies described in The Portland Plan. This report is a summary of the strongest student's recommendations that fit the ICT criteria. Lead by instructor, Herman D' Hooge the student-generated recommendations offer solution ideas seen through their lens. As such it also reveals what they care about most in this city and also how they see ICT becoming a solution-enabler based on their familiarity and comfort with ICT.

Sincerely,

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## Agenda No. **REPORT NO.** Title





## AGENDA

TIME CERTAIN Start time: 9:30 AM

Total amount of time needed: <u>15 min</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

CONSENT

REGULAR Total amount of time needed: \_\_\_\_\_\_ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
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2. Fish	<mark>2.</mark> Fish	-	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	-	
4. Novick	4. Novick	$\checkmark$	
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