

RESOLUTION No. 37034

Encourage the exploration and incorporation of bird friendly design and practices in City plans and policies (Resolution)

WHEREAS, Portland is home to 209 species of birds; and

WHEREAS one out of every four species in Portland and across the United States is experiencing significant long-term population declines; and

WHEREAS, Portland sits on the Pacific Flyway, a major north-south flight route extending from Alaska to South America; and

WHEREAS, collisions with buildings and other manmade structures are a primary threat to migratory birds, ranked second as a mortality factor after habitat destruction; and

WHEREAS, the Audubon Society of Portland has conducted studies documenting that bird collisions kill a diverse array of bird species in the city, including species in decline and a number of migratory species; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 the United States Fish and Wildlife Service selected the City of Portland as a pilot project city for the Urban Conservation Treaty for Migratory Birds Program, which included a focus on reducing hazards to migratory birds, and

WHEREAS, subsequent to entering into the treaty, Portland developed a Bird Agenda in June 2011 that recommends mitigation efforts, including voluntary bird-friendly building guidelines and pilot demonstrations at City buildings; and

WHEREAS, to further advance the goals of the treaty, in 2011, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service awarded the City a grant to address bird collisions, which supported the Audubon Society of Portland's development of a Resource Guide for Bird-Friendly Building Design that includes extensive recommendations to reduce the risk of bird mortality from collisions with buildings and fatal light attraction; and

WHEREAS, the Resource Guide suggests opportunities to increase energy efficiency through the incorporation of bird friendly design approaches, and vice versa; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2012 the Planning and Sustainability Commission adopted the following motion:

The Planning and Sustainability Commission supports the continued integration of Bird-Friendly Building Design into the City's programs, including but not limited to: a) Language in the Comprehensive Plan policies, b) Central City 2035 policies, c) EcoDistrict planning, and d) Exploring a broadening of the City's requirements for sustainable practices in City buildings to address Bird-Friendly Building Design and Lights Out, and

WHEREAS, the Central City 2035 Concept Plan (adopted by resolution October 24, 2012) calls for improved watershed health and encourages the use of building construction materials and products that do not have harmful effects on human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the North/Northeast Quadrant Plan (October 25, 2012) calls for encouraging the use of bird and habitat-friendly building design and green elements on development sites, and

WHEREAS the Working Draft Comprehensive Plan includes a policy to promote development that integrates habitat- and bird-friendly development design, and

WHEREAS, cities including Chicago, San Francisco, Toronto and New York have adopted a combination of regulatory and voluntary bird-friendly building guidelines and Lights Out programs; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Water Bureau's new Fulton Pump Station incorporates bird-friendly guidelines into its design;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City will seek opportunities to incorporate bird friendly building design and practices into City facilities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the draft Comprehensive Plan include goals and policies that promote habitat and bird-friendly design and building management practices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the draft Central City 2035 Plan include an action item to explore development standards, design guidelines, and educational and incentive programs to improve bird safety in the Central City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that development of the City's Green Building Policy will recognize the benefits of bird-friendly building design and building management practices and will explore opportunities to advance bird-friendly design, including but not limited to referencing the Resource Guide to Bird-Friendly Building Design and, bird-friendly design guidelines; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City shall explore opportunities to advance bird friendly design and management practices through other future planning efforts as applicable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City will work with partners to promote awareness of bird-friendly design and management practices across the city in residential and commercial properties.

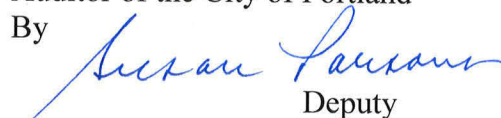
Adopted by the Council: OCT 02 2013

Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Prepared by: Amy Trieu
Date Prepared: 09/25/13

LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

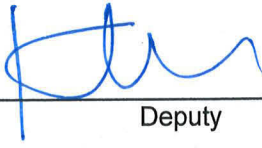
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<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Dan Saltzman</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>SEP 27 2013</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By:  Deputy</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: Bureau Head:</p>	<p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>
<p>Prepared by: Amy Trieu Date Prepared: 9-24-13</p>	
<p>Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement</p> <p>Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date 10-2-13</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: 9:30am</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 20 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Novick	4. Novick	✓	
Hales	Hales	✓	